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## THE WORLD OF WOMEN



### FASHION NOTES.

#### Exquisite Evening Gowns.

There are any number of youthful looking suits and dresses this year, stressing the well known and just the thing for Miss Slim, Miss Slight, and Miss Slender. The day gowns are short, and very narrow, devoid of any irregularity of hemline, all of them with "well-mannered" skirts.

Also seen are some very prim-looking, very feminine *trousseaux*, most of them in checked or small-striped materials. The coatees worn with such suits in most cases are sufficiently abbreviated to be mistaken for boleros.

Many coats are collarless, with scarves which are the only note of colour, such scarves being used to look like collars, belts, or ties. Exquisite are the mousseline-de-soie evening gowns, and the chiffon-velvet evening gowns are also exceedingly smart. They deserve to be called "Poems," if only poems in chiffon and velvet. They consist of colour-harmonies, long and flowing panels, and draperies of classic proportions.

Skirts are different in shade from the colouring used for the bodice. By the way, a new note is the long elbow gloves in coloured suede to match the gown, or to form a contrast, often a daring touch of colour.

Many of the new skirts are draped towards the centre of the back. Some are longer in front. All pleated skirts show straight pleating with new styles in pleats. No skirt is cut on the cross, or very few. Nothing flares throughout the collections.



Black gowns that are different were worn by stage stars at the fashion show for the benefit of the Actors' Dinner Fund in New York. (Left) Ermine sleeves made original puffs, with the ermine tails flying like streamers, a sheath-like gown of black velvet, worn by Selma Royal. (Right) Draped armholes, sparkling buttons, and a slashed skirt were outstanding features of a gorgeously crinkled black crepe gown worn by Helen Broderick.

### WHY ARE WOMEN SUPERSTITIOUS?

It is perhaps significant that Sir Walter Scott on those rare occasions when his romance dipped into the supernatural, almost always chose women as the necessary characters. Women seem to have always been more subject to premonitions, secret signs, spiritual visitations, omens, and the rest of the expressions of superstition than has been the case with members of the stronger sex.

History, literature, and modern fiction, they all are generously supplied with feminine superstition-supporters, and the number would probably be very large if compared to that of masculine superstition-supporters. In the past, of course, superstition took more desperate forms and was much more common than it is to-day. Edinburgh—and the rest of Scotland—at one time made an everyday practice of drowning and burning witches. Men, even in the early days, had generally a strong dislike for superstition. It was those women who were eternally stirring up trouble with their fantastic ideas!

But, although most women nowadays talk jokingly about the exploits of their early superstition-obsessed sisters, are they really, even advanced as they undoubtedly are, completely rid of strange beliefs?

There are many "modern" women who are astoundingly superstitious, but very few men. In fact, every second woman one meets—I refer exclusively to the older generation—does not see anything senseless in believing that because two knives happen to cross at dinner a serious quarrel will inevitably follow.

I have seen middle-aged women become extremely excited and annoyed—and not in the least

### IDEAS FOR YOUR NOTEBOOK.

**Coffee Stains.**—To remove coffee stains from delicate materials, brush with pure glycerine. Rinse in lukewarm water, and press on the wrong side.

**Home-Made Bleacher.**—Crushed eggshells added to odd bits of soap makes an excellent bleacher. Keep a small muslin bag handy, and pop into it all odd bits of soap and eggshells. Tie up the bag on washing day and drop it into your copper with your white linen.

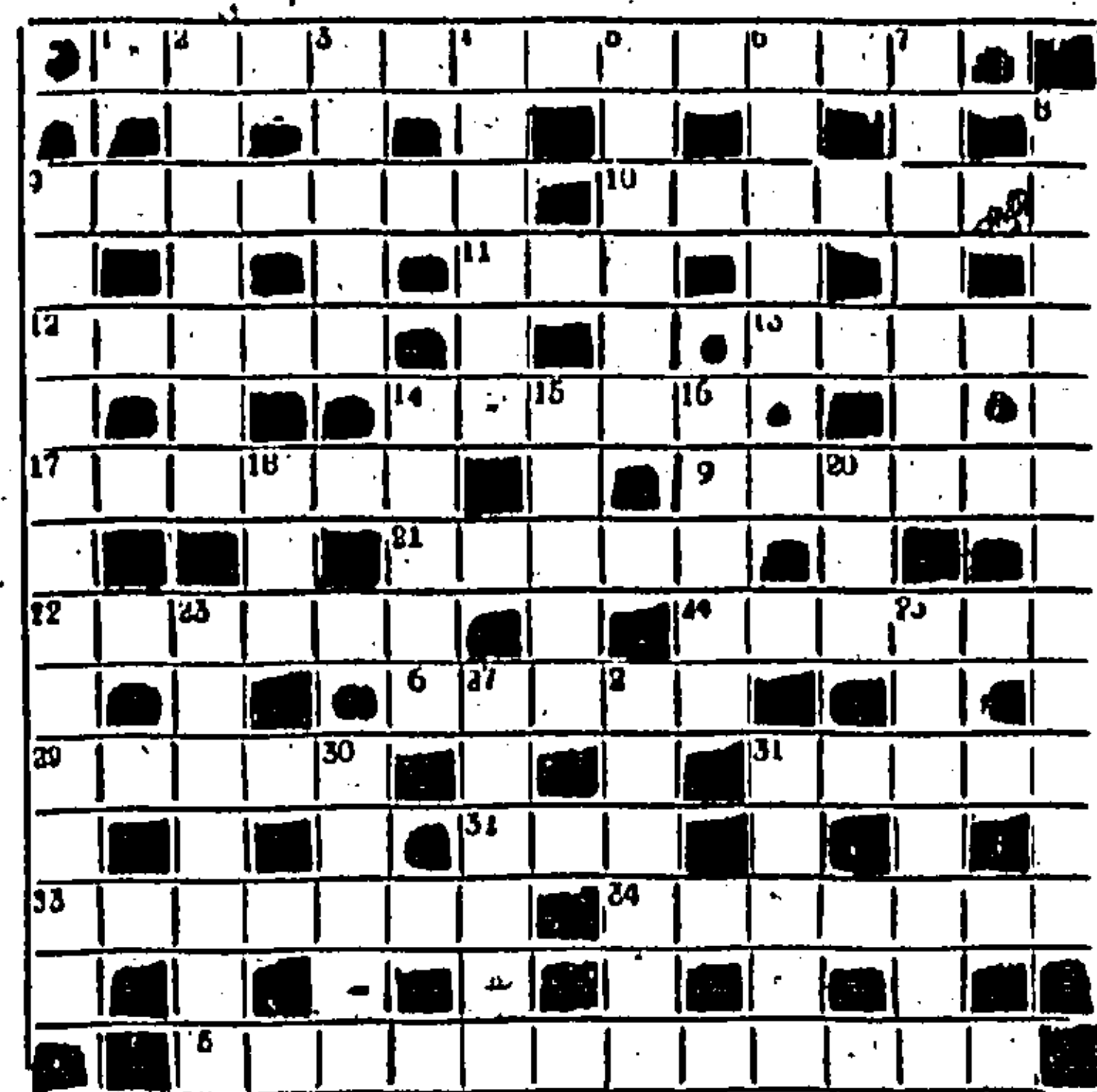
**Biscuits Will Keep.**—A crust of bread placed in the tin with the biscuits absorbs moisture, and the biscuits keep crisp longer.

humorously, mark you—for no other reason than because some clumsy specimen of a man was thoughtless enough to put his umbrella up inside their house! There is a whole encyclopedia of these "bad signs," and every woman over forty seems to have them at her finger-tips. Someone accidentally drops a walking-stick. "Bad luck," says Mrs. A. Someone else (again accidentally) lets a spoon fall to the floor. "A visitor," observes Mrs. B. And so the farce—for so it appears to my ordinary commonsense-controlled mind—goes on!

And this is the question I would like to ask those bad-omen women. Do they really believe in what they say or do they not make these remarks "for something to say"? I should like to believe that the latter suggestion is the true one, but when I recall the serious faces of some people I personally have offended, I fail to see how I can.

We men do not know why women are so superstitious. Will they condescend to tell us the reason?—W. STRACHAN-NISBET in Exchange.

### OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS



- Across
- Supply food to the supporters. They're very voracious.
  - Game, when young.
  - Mem. See Ann at about two to colour the butter.
  - Movement appreciated by the actor.
  - This goat charges—but it has them without the goal.
  - Win in this even if you lose in the roundabouts.
  - Game in the interior of a West African island.
  - Opposed to an Irish ending.
  - The skaters' figure is of importance.
  - Part of an engine.
  - Turn it upside down.
  - Ends in bed, though only teased gently.
  - The girl with the heart.
  - There's no sense in this—still, it's a clue.
  - Masculine name.
  - An uproarious fragment.
  - Not well in this case—it's a casemaker's job.
  - Endanger.
  - The art of the G.O.C.
- Down
- Go on. The means of doing so is here.
  - "I'm glad I was up so late; for that's the reason I was up so late." ("Cymbeline").
  - Classical country.
  - Make a loan in West Africa: there's some go in the place.
  - Relatives.
  - Not so easy as lying.
  - Give an "adult lion gin" and see it extending lengthwise: very
  - funny (anag.).
  - Lancashire Lads, or Henry IV.—or V. or VI.
  - And yet they say that this reception is attended by men only.
  - Uncouth sort of name for a rough sort of valley.
  - A slow upheaval, but it is a comfort to think that it will end well.
  - With nothing above or below it could address great multitudes.
  - Crime briefly indicated.
  - Fruit is in and it rains outside.
  - Unadorned and scarcely rich, it is fitting wear for the warrior.
  - Upset 18 and get under; it may be hit.
  - Moving little by little.
  - One who has a shot.
  - Put in the head.

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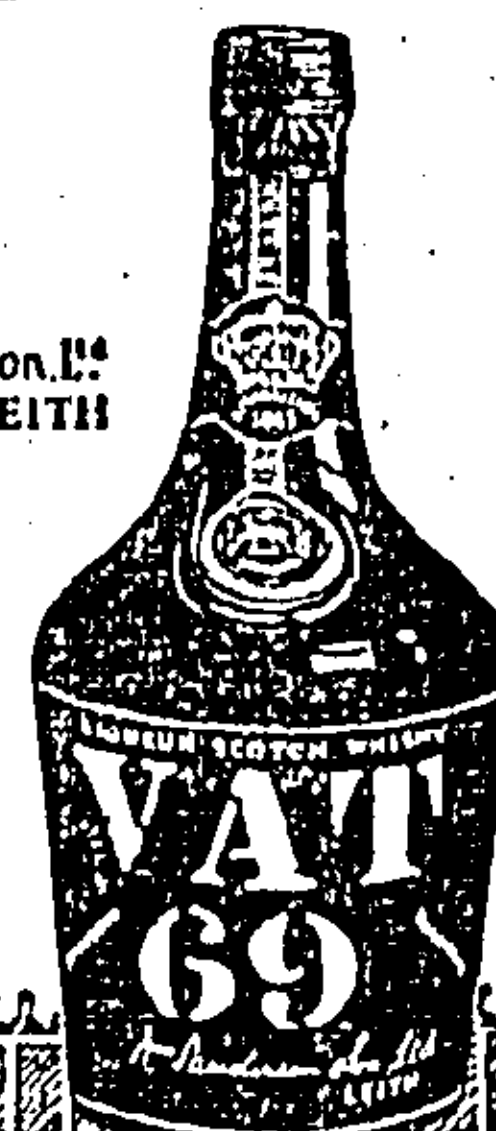
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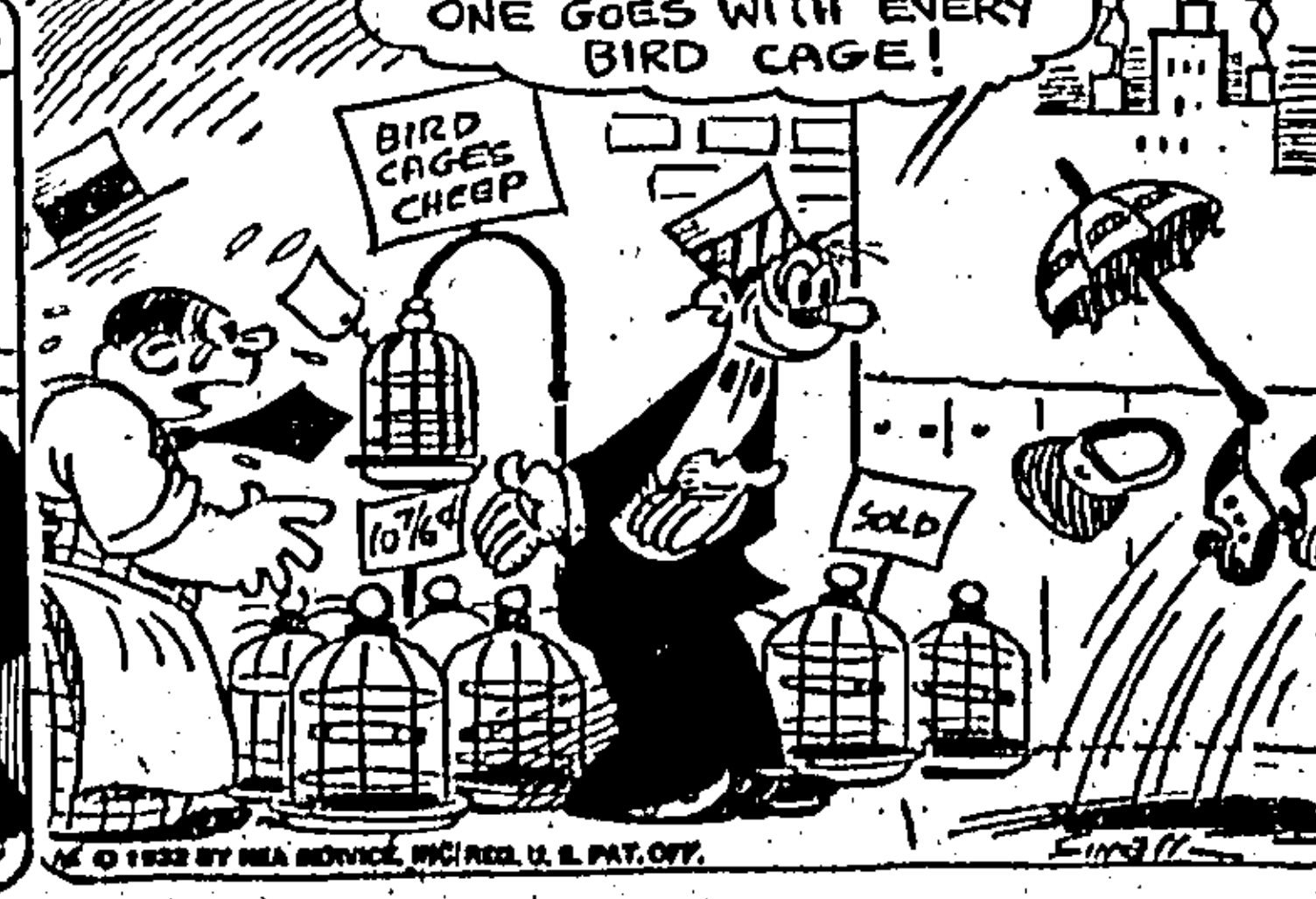
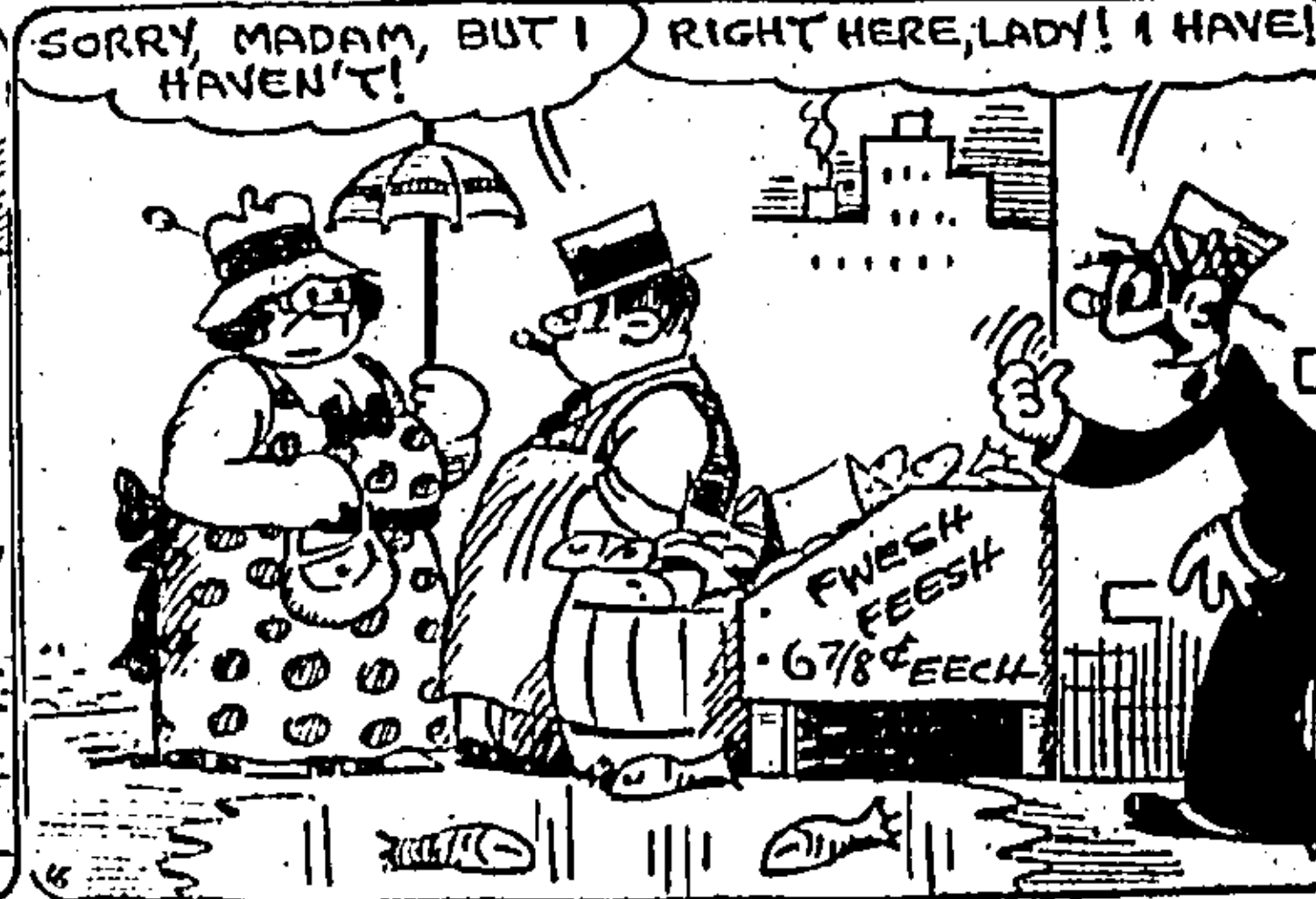


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# CALL of the WEST

BY R. G. MONTGOMERY

## CHAPTER XLVII

Contrary to the expectations of the doctor and to all rules of convalescence, Donna did not suffer a setback. Asper brought her news from the room down the hall, news that he made encouraging and bright. He was sitting on the foot of her bed smiling at her in his rough way when Donna suddenly remembered something.

"Where is Dad? I haven't seen him since yesterday afternoon." Asper's wide smile faded and he tried to give her an answer that was casual. "Oh, he's around here."

Donna knew instantly that something was wrong. Her father could not cover anything up while he was looking straight into her face—Donna knew him too well.

"Something has happened to Dad," she said simply. "Better tell me all about it, Dad. I won't make any fuss."

Asper looked at his daughter for a moment while he cast about for a way to tell her. Finally, he plunged in, but immediately hedged. "He took your car and went to the city."

Donna's soft lips curved into a sudden smile that bewildered the troubled Asper. She was actually smiling.

"When did he go?" she asked. Asper grunted with distinct disapproval. Donna was a puzzle to him in a great many ways. Here she was sitting up in bed looking almost happy, in fact radiant, while he told her that her husband had gone.

"He'll come back," Donna gazed dreamily out of the window as she spoke. She was not thinking about Dudley Winters except to be thankful that he had made the way out very easy. "He's chasing some crazy clue," she added.

"He may not come back at all. He left pretty permanently," Asper finished lamely.

Donna replied with a little laugh. She reached out and took her father's hand.

ther's hand. With a squeeze, she pulled him around until she could look into his eyes. Asper gave her his attention with sudden interest. "I hope it is permanent," she whispered.

Asper snorted but not with complete conviction.

"Because he is not your son-in-law," Donna's cheeks coloured beautifully, her eyes shone.

Asper gazed at her without speaking. His mind was flashing back over the happenings of the past few weeks and he was checking up many little incidents. Finally he smiled and patted her hand. He was too relieved to be angry. "How and why did you do it?" he asked.

"It was Dad's idea. He got the certificate signed up and we were to use it to get you back to the city," Donna was serious now.

Asper's eyes dimmed a little as he watched her small hands working patterns on the quilting of the comforter. She would have gone through with it for his sake.

"You would have married Winters to save your old dad?" He asked the question, knowing the answer.

Donna squeezed his hand. Asper got to his feet with a weak attempt at a grunt. "I better get in and see about that crazy buckaroo," he said gruffly as he strode to the door. "Take good care of him," Donna called after him.

Asper's answer was swallowed up by the slamming of the door. She sat and looked out of the window. Plans piled themselves up in her mind, the most compelling one being to get up and go to Stan's side.

The doctor came in and found her curled up with her chin propped in the palms of her hands and her lips parted in a dreamy smile. He stood looking down on her in surprise.

"You will not need any attention from me," he greeted her. "You

are the most alive of any patient I ever had."

"I'm getting up pretty soon," Donna announced. "I'm going to help with your new patient."

The doctor looked keenly at her. "You cannot help with him. You will do more good by acting just as I tell you."

"To-morrow I will?" Donna made a question of it.

"We'll see," the doctor was suddenly all professional dignity. "With you and your father both around under foot I could do nothing for him and he is a very sick man."

Donna accepted the ruling with reservations, but she did accept it. She had learned to have a great deal of respect for the tall medical man who served as company doctor. She spent an impatient morning waiting for news from the room down the hall. Asper came in twice but his assurances that Stan was getting on well did not ease Donna's longing to go to him.

That afternoon Asper carried Donna out on the porch and fixed her in a mass of pillows where she could look out over the valley. He sat down beside her and gazed reflectively out over his timber holdings.

"Tell me what really happened to you while you were riding?" Donna finally asked.

"I rode down into Pass Creek," Asper began. "And found just what I found."

Donna cut in. "I tried to tell you but you would never let me."

Asper nodded. "I wish I had listened."

"And then what?" "I caught Swergin on the trail and disarmed him. I intended to bring him in but one of his men came up behind us and I was covered. Swergin took me to a cabin and tied me up. Asper's eyes grew dark as he remembered.

"He threatened you?" Donna asked breathlessly.

"He told me his whole scheme of robbery, then went out and set fire to the cabin," Asper tossed his black cigar away.

"The coward!" Donna gasped. "Ball came in and saved me. I Association has arranged to hold a clinical evening to-morrow at the Yung Wo Nursing Hospital, through the courtesy of the institution's managing director. The occasion will be an open meeting, according to Dr. K. Y. Lai, the Secretary of the Association, and all members and other medical practitioners are invited to bring along some of their cases for demonstration."

Her question was answered by a piece from the steps. Donna and Asper turned to see a dusty cow-

boy standing grinning at them; it was Malloy. "I went after him," Malloy stated briefly.

"You did?" Asper showed his surprise. "You knew Stan Ball was not what we thought?" Donna asked slowly.

"Knew it from the start but he would never let me say a word or butt in," Malloy sat down on the top step. He was hot and tired, but he was eager for news about Stan. "Is the kid all right?" he asked.

"You can see him to-morrow," Asper promised.

"Did that rat, Swergin, get in a shot?" Malloy was plainly surprised.

It was Donna who answered. "I did it. I thought he was getting away with another killing and I shot him."

Malloy looked at her unbelievably for a full minute, then his grin spread widely. "You fan a mean gun," he said and started to get up. "Don't run off. I want to ask you a lot of questions," Donna said smilingly.

Malloy grinned and dropped back on the porch step. Asper got up. "I better see about my patient." With a wink at Malloy, he strode inside.

"I want you to tell me all about Stan Ball," Donna said simply. Malloy dodged a reply.

"How about this feller, Winters?" Malloy asked bluntly.

"We were not married. We tried to fool father and make him leave this country with us," Donna spoke frankly, too.

"That's why he felt free to skip out with that little senorita from over the ridge," Malloy spoke deliberately. "I figured he was about half all right."

Donna started, then got a grip on herself. Malloy had said more than she might have, had he known that she only knew half of the story. "That accounts for all his riding," she said with a smile that hinted she had known all the time.

Malloy nodded and got up again. "I'll be back if you want me," he said as he clanked down the steps. (To be concluded.)

## CLINICAL EVENING.

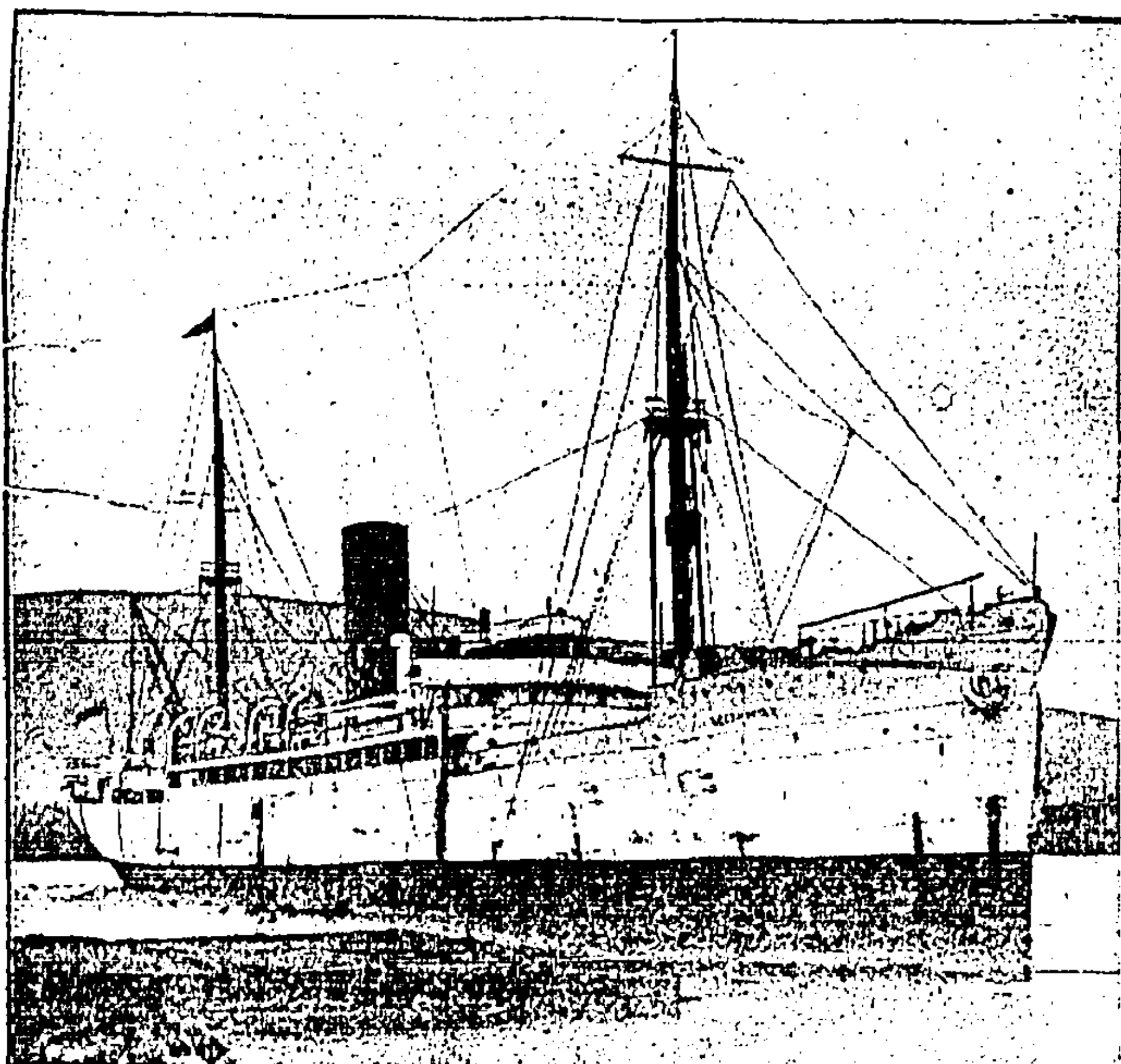
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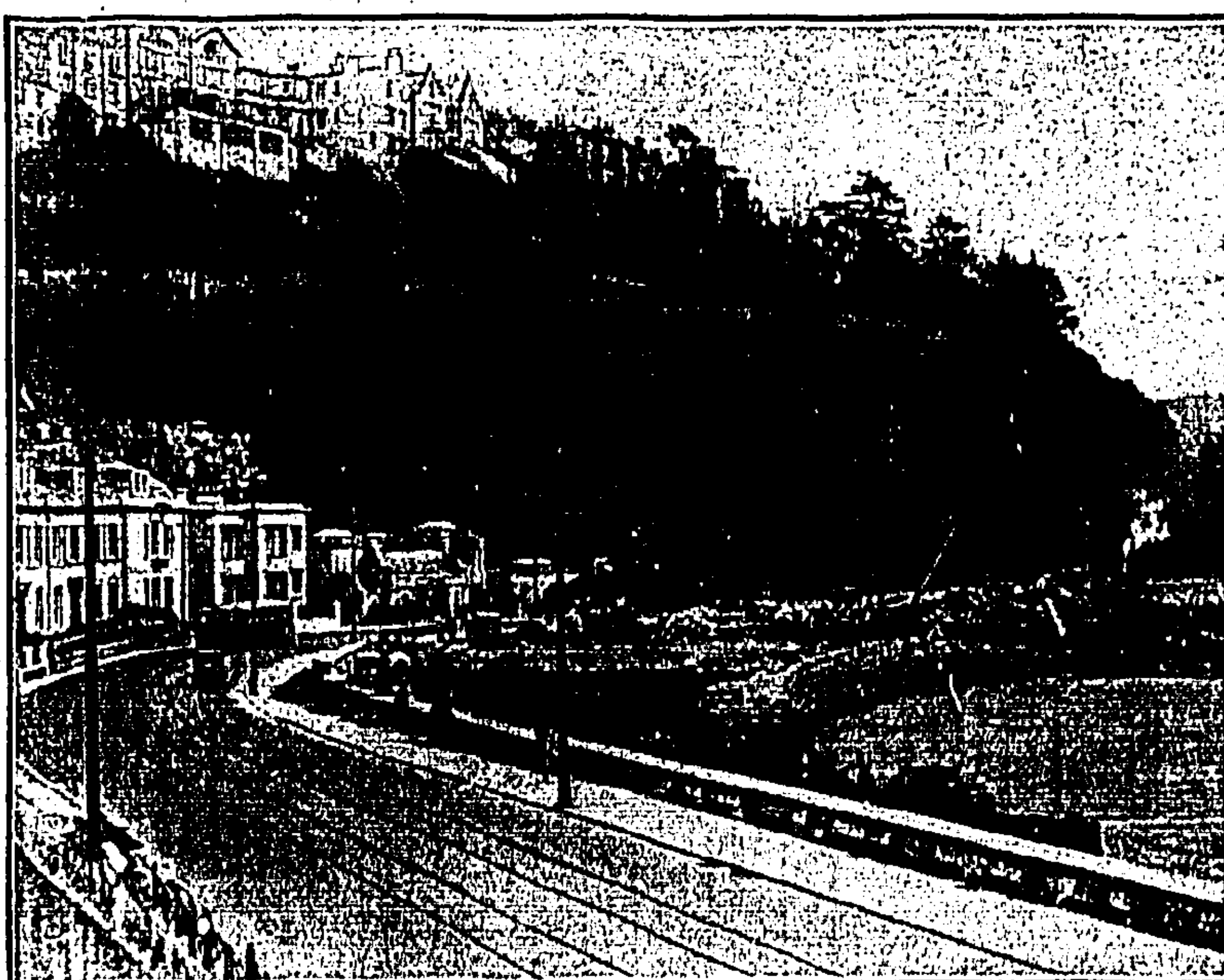
FROM RAIDER TO TRAMP STEAMER. The famous German raider, the Moeves, photographed in dock at Port Talbot. She is now the tramp steamer Greenbrier, and it will be remembered that she captured the Elder Dempster liner Appam during the War and subsequent peace time meetings of these two vessels have occurred.



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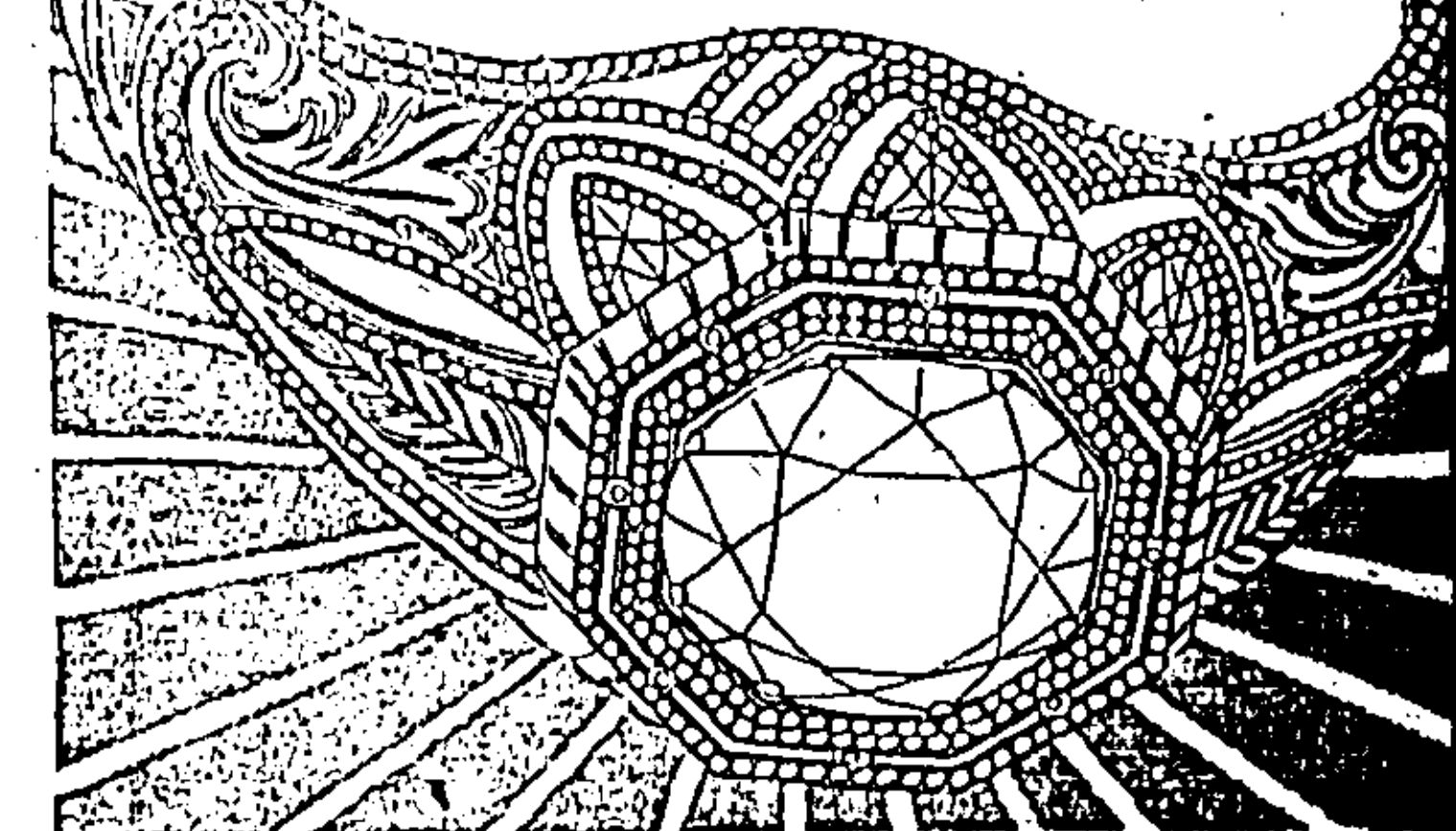
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2nd D24 Dress Circle.  
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| Japan and Shanghai .....  | Ranpura .....           | December 16. |
| Japan .....   | Yamaguchi Maru .....    | December 16. |
| U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai (Seattle, 26th November) ..                          | Pres. Jefferson .....   | December 16. |
| Manila .....  | Pres. Lincoln .....     | December 19. |
| Straits .....   | Machona .....           | December 19. |
| Shanghai .....  | Sarpden .....           | December 20. |
| Shanghai .....  | Chenonceaux .....       | December 20. |
| Saigon .....  | Athos II .....          | December 21. |
| Canada, U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 3rd December) ..                    | Empress of Asia .....   | December 22. |
| Australia and Manila .....  | Kamo Maru .....         | December 22. |
| Straits .....   | Mennon .....            | December 22. |
| Japan .....   | Buenos Aires Maru ..... | December 23. |
| U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 25th November) ..                  | Pres. Monroe .....      | December 23. |

### OUTWARD MAILS.

| For  | Per  | Date and Time.             |
|--|--|----------------------------|
| Wednesday.   |  |                            |
| Amoy .....   | Taiyuan .....                                      | Wed., Dec. 14, 3.30 p.m.   |
| Samshui and Wuchow .....   | Kengso .....                                       | Wed., Dec. 14, 4 p.m.      |
| Thursday.  |  |                            |
| Amoy and Formosa via Swatow ..   | Dell Maru .....                                    | Thurs., Dec. 15, 8.30 a.m. |
| Straits .....  | Van Heutsz Thru .....                              | Dec. 15, 10.30 a.m.        |
| Haiphong .....   | Canton .....                                       | Thurs., Dec. 15, 2 p.m.    |
| Swatow .....   | Hydrangea .....                                    | Thurs., Dec. 15, 3 p.m.    |
| Amoy .....   | Klungchow .....                                    | Thurs., Dec. 15, 3.30 p.m. |
| Shanghai and Japan .....   | Ranchi .....                                       | Thurs., Dec. 15, 5 p.m.    |
| Amoy .....   | Kutaang .....                                      | Thurs., Dec. 15, 5 p.m.    |
| Friday.  |  |                            |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America, and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia (Due Vancouver B.C., 3rd Jan., 1933).<br>Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong .. | Emp. of Japan .....                                | Fri., Dec. 16, 10.30 a.m.  |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .....   | Haikyung .....                                     | Fri., Dec. 16, 1 p.m.      |
| Saturday.  |  |                            |
| Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and S. America and Europe via Victoria B.C., and Europe via Siberia (Due Victoria B.C., 9th Jan., 1933).<br>Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Ranpura ..        | Parcels .....                                      | Sat., Dec. 17, 10.30 a.m.  |
| East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles (Due Marseilles, 13th January, 1933).<br>K. P. O. .....   | G. P. O. .....                                     | Sat., Dec. 17, 10.30 a.m.  |
| Parcels .....  | Reg. .....   | Dec. 17, 9 a.m.            |
| Letters .....  | Reg. .....   | Dec. 17, 10.30 a.m.        |
| Manila .....   | Pres. Jefferson .....                              | Sat., Dec. 17, 5 p.m.      |
| Sunday.  |  |                            |
| Bangkok via Swatow .....   | Kalgan .....                                       | Sun., Dec. 18, 9 a.m.      |
| Swatow, Amoy and Formosa .....   | Canton Maru ..                                     | Sun., Dec. 18, 9 a.m.      |
| Tuesday.   |  |                            |
| Manila, Australia and New Zealand Change via Thursday Island (Due Thursday Island, 31st Dec.) ..   | Parcels .....                                      | Tues., Dec. 20, 10.30 a.m. |
| Batavia .....  | Tjibadak .....                                     | Tues., Dec. 20, 10.30 a.m. |
| Letters for "Saigon-Marseilles Air Chenonceaux Mail Service" .....   | Tues., Dec. 20, 10.30 a.m.                         |                            |
| Reg. .....   | K. P. O. .....                                     | G. P. O. .....             |
| Letters .....  | Reg. .....   | Dec. 20, 11.30 a.m.        |
| Letters .....  | Reg. .....   | Dec. 20, 11.30 a.m.        |
| Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, Chenonceaux ..   | Tues., Dec. 20, 11.30 a.m.                         |                            |
| *East and *South Africa, *Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles .....   | (Due Marseilles, 20th Jan., 1933).<br>K.P.O. ..... | G.P.O. .....               |
| Reg. .....   | Dec. 20, 10 a.m.                                   | Reg. .....                 |
| Letters .....  | Dec. 20, 1 p.m.                                    | Letters .....              |
| Swatow, Amoy and Foochow .....   | Haikyung .....                                     | Tues., Dec. 20, 1 p.m.     |
| Port Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Tonkin ..  | Tues., Dec. 20, 1 p.m.                             |                            |
| Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., President Lincoln ..  | Tues., Dec. 20, 1 p.m.                             |                            |
| *Canada, Central and South America and *Europe via San Francisco ..  | Reg. .....   | Dec. 20, 4.15 p.m.         |
| Letters .....  | Dec. 20, 5 p.m.                                    |                            |
| Swatow .....   | Norvikon .....                                     | Tues., Dec. 20, 5 p.m.     |
| Wednesday.   |  |                            |
| Sandakan .....   | Hinang .....                                       | Wed., Dec. 21, 10.30 a.m.  |
| Straits and Calcutta .....   | Sulans .....                                       | Wed., Dec. 21, 1 p.m.      |
| Parcels .....  | Dec. 21, Noon                                      |                            |
| Letters .....  | Dec. 21, 1 p.m.                                    |                            |
| Shanghai .....   | Athos II .....                                     | Wed., Dec. 21, 2 p.m.      |
| Thursday.  |  |                            |
| Manila .....   | Emp. of Asia Thru ..                               | Dec. 22, 4.30 p.m.         |
| *Superscribed Correspondence only.   |  |                            |

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### RACE HANDICAPS.

Macao Extra Meeting for Next Sunday.

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Entries and handicaps for the Sixth Extra Meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which will be held next Sunday afternoon, are as follows:  
1st Race, The Ascot Handicap, Six Furlongs—Allwell (141), Dashaway (148), Brian (152), Genghis-Khan (140), Guiding Star (148), Prestwick (150), Tien Feng Shan (150).  
2nd Race, The Haydock Park Plate, Seven Furlongs—Alexandra Hall (158), Bluelove (158), Cobu (149), Cloudy Eve (158), Gold Mine (151), Golden Star (155), Just Imagine (161), Maple Leaf (161), Powerful King (161), Tommy Boy (158), The

Plover (161), Wonderful Stag (158).  
3rd Race, The Perth Handicap, Seven Furlongs—Anniversary Eve (135), But After That (160), Canny (165), Joquin (140), Tin Tac (146).  
4th Race, The Alexandra Park Handicap, "B" Class, One Mile—Banjolina (160), Blue Plane (140), Buchanan (148), Cabinet Hall (156), Christmas Belle (159), Country Club (149), Cupid (165), Estrellita (149), Gallant Fox (165), Much Ado (147), Public Money (150), Pure Music (152), Sanction (153), Tien Feng Shan (148), Until Then (148), Valenta (155), Venturous (160).  
5th Race, The Goffsford Handicap, "C" Class, One Mile—Alexandra Hall (147), Bluelove (147), Cobu (149), Gold Mine (148), Golden Star (144), Just Imagine (150), Orlando (151), Powerful King (165), Snappy Eve (147), Tommy Boy (145), The Plover (165), Valley Hall (140), Wakefield (160), Womby Stag (165).

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### KOWLOON CHESS CLUB

Sixth Round Matches of Championships.

### INTER-CLUB FIXTURE.

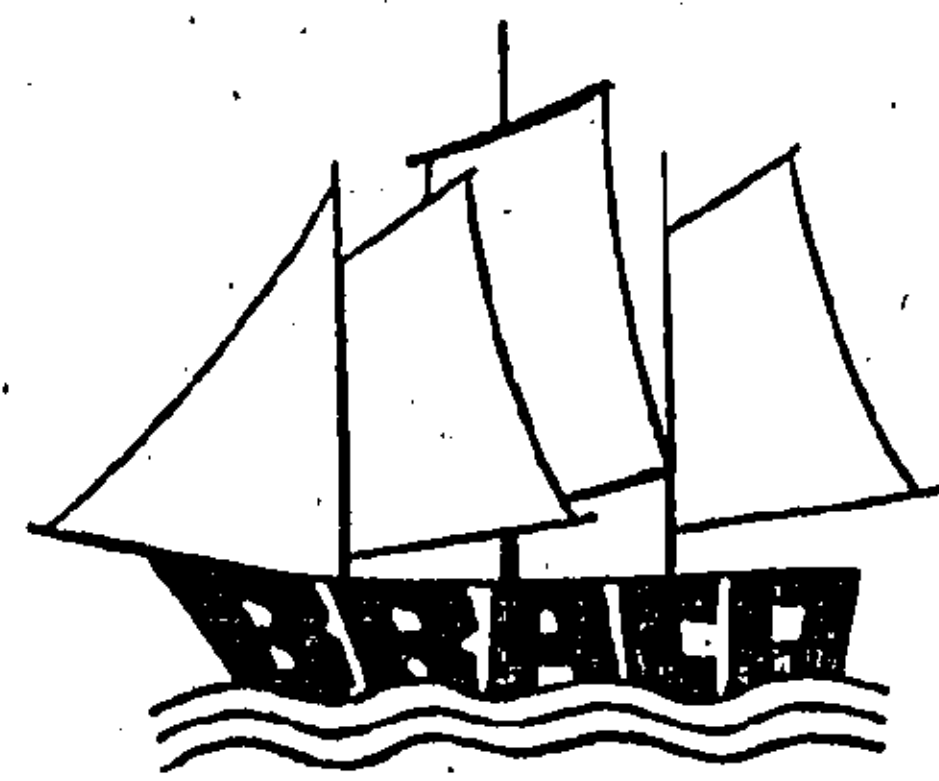
Yesterday evening sixth round matches of the Kowloon Chess Club championships were decided with the following results:

|                 |                 |            |     |
|-----------------|-----------------|------------|-----|
| J. S. Smith     | Senior          | C. E. Wong | 1/2 |
| *C. M. Sequeira | A. D. Sequeira  |            |     |
| B. Soltau       | P. T. Rozario   |            |     |
| Junior.         |                 |            |     |
| *A. L. Rocha    | A. J. Biriukoff |            |     |
| *M. Cunietti    | A. Kurrik       |            |     |
| H. D. Matthews  | T. E. Parry     |            |     |
| *J. Yanovich    | A. Prata        |            |     |
| *J. Easton      | H. H. Bush      |            |     |

\*Matches postponed.  
Inter-Club Match.  
The first fixture of the present season between the Victoria Chess Club and the Kowloon Chess Club will be played this evening at Lane Crawford's Restaurant, beginning at 8.15 p.m. Both sides will put out their strongest available eight and an interesting series of games should be seen.

Wonderful Stag (150).  
6th Race, The Ladies Race, (Unofficial). Once Round—Banjolina (145), Christmas Belle (145), City of Shanghai (145), Cupid (145), Devon (145), Estrellita (145), Gallant Fox (145), Much Ado (145), Toby (145), Until Then (145), Whonoe (145).  
7th Race, The Langfield Handicap, One and a Quarter Miles—Blue Plane (140), Dashaway (140), New King (165), Prestwick (147), Pure Music (152), Tien Feng Shan (147), Venturous (165).





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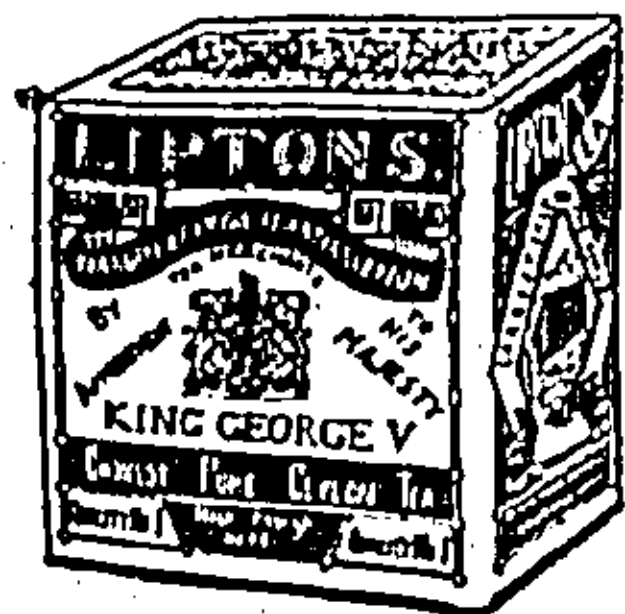
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## NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

### WEAKER STATE OF MARKET

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, the *Wall Street Journal's* report on yesterday's market states:—The New York market declined in sympathy with lower commodity prices. American commodity markets were weaker as a result of lower commodity prices abroad. Business done:—730,000 shares.

Averages Dec. 12. Dec. 13.  
 30 Industrials 61.48 60.35  
 20 Rails 27.88 27.47  
 20 Utilities 27.93 27.70  
 40 Bonds 77.67 77.45

Dec. 12. Dec. 13.  
 Allied Chemical & 80% 70%  
 Dye 54% 53%  
 American Can 54% 53%  
 American Smelting 13% 13%  
 American Tel. & Tel. 107% 106%  
 American Tobacco 59% 59%  
 Anaconda Copper 8 7%  
 Auburn 16% 15%  
 Bethlehem Steel 25% 25%  
 Borden Company 13% 13%  
 Canadian Pacific 13% 13%  
 Railway 13% 13%  
 Chase National Bank 36% 35%  
 Chrysler 16% 16%  
 Consolidated Gas of N. Y. 59 58%  
 Drug Inc. 32% 31%  
 Du Pont de Nemours 47% 47%  
 Eastman Kodak 54% 54%  
 Electric Bond & Share 19% 19%  
 Electric Power & Light 7 6%  
 General Electric 15% 15%  
 General Foods 24% 24%  
 General Motors 13% 13%  
 Gillette Safety Razor 18 18  
 Goodyear Tire 17 16%  
 International Harvester 23 22%  
 International Nickel 8 8  
 International Tel. & Tel. 7% 7%  
 Krueger & Toll 1/8 1/8  
 Liggett & Myers "B" 55% 55%  
 Loew's Inc. 22% 22%  
 Montgomery Ward 14 13%  
 National City Bank (bid price) 44% 43%  
 Pacific Gas & Electric 29% 29%  
 Packard Motors 2% 2%  
 Pennsylvania Railroad 14% 14%  
 Radio Corporation 5% 5%  
 Sears Roebuck 21% 20%  
 Shell Union 5% 5%  
 Sweeney-Vennum Corporation 8 7%  
 Standard Oil Co. of N. J. 31% 30%  
 Texas Corporation 14% 14%  
 Union Carbide &

## LONDON STOCK PRICES

### MARKET GENERALLY FIRMER

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters. The market yesterday was rather better disposed and generally firmer.

Dec. 12. Dec. 13.  
 Brit. Amer. Tob. 102/6 103/1 1/2  
 Japan 5% Sterling Loan, 1907 161 1/2 160-1/2  
 Japan 5% Sterling Loan, 1924 172-1/2 171-3/4  
 5% Shai-Nanking Rly. 130-44 130-44  
 5% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. 125-30 125-30  
 5% Tientsin-Pukow Rly. (Suppl. Loan) 120-25 120-25  
 5% Shai-Hang-chow-Ningpo Rly. 177-82 177-82  
 5% Hokuang Rly. 101 101  
 5% Honan Rly. 5-10 5-10  
 5% Lung Tsing U. Hal. Rly. 1013 110-15  
 Chinese-Eng and Mining 20/3 20/3  
 Wan Loan 98% 98%  
 Shai Elec. Constr. 53/- 53/-  
 Burmah Oil 57/6 58/0  
 Anglo-Persian Oil 31/3 32/6  
 Mexican Eagle 118-1/4 118-1/2  
 J. & P. Coats 40/3 40/3  
 Daily Mail Trust 34/0 34/0  
 Im. Chemical Industries 23/7 1/2 23/7 1/2  
 Imp. Tobacco 36/3 36/3  
 Guinness 81/0 81/0  
 Distillers 54/3 54/3  
 General Elec. (England) 40/- 40/-  
 Elec. & Musical Industries 11/3 11/3  
 Turner & Newall 20/7 1/2 21/-  
 Unilever 31/0 31/0  
 Vickers 6/0 6/0  
 Woolworth 72/- 72/6  
 Ford Motors 21/3 21/3  
 Dunlop Rubber 18/3 18/3  
 Burma Corp. 10/1 1/2 10/4 1/2  
 Anglo-Dutch 9/6 9/6  
 Shell Trans. and Trad. 48/1 1/2 48/9  
 Courtaulds 30/- 30/3  
 Int. Tea Stores 29/10 1/2 29/10 1/2  
 Ever Ready 26/3 26/3  
 Pechin Johnson 27/- 27/6  
 Peking Syndicate 1/7 1/2 1/7 1/2  
 Carbon 25 1/2 24 1/2  
 Union Pacific 72 70%  
 United Aircraft & Trans. 26 1/2 25%  
 U. S. Rubber 4 1/2 4%  
 U. S. Steels 31 1/2 31%  
 Westinghouse E. & M. 28 1/2 27%  
 Woolworth 36 35 1/2

—Reuters.

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## SUGAR MARKET

### THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS

The following cable at the close of the sugar market yesterday has been received by Messrs. Penbreath and Co.

#### London Terminals

March 1933 5/5 1/2 up 1/4 d.  
 May 1933 5/7 1/2 up 3/4 d.  
 August 1933 5/10 1/2 up 1/2 d.  
 December 1933 6/1 1/2 up 3/4 d.  
 Buyers at above prices, sellers asking 1/4-1/2 d. more.

#### New York Terminals

March 1933 78 no change.  
 May 1933 83 no change.  
 July 1933 88 down 1 pt.  
 September 1933 93 no change.  
 Cuban 96 —Spot N.Y. 90 no change.

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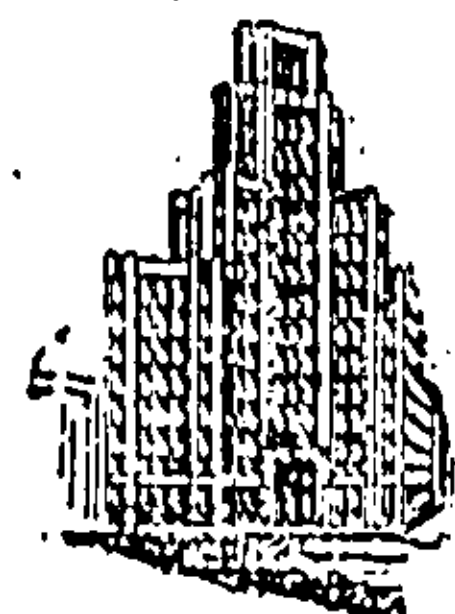
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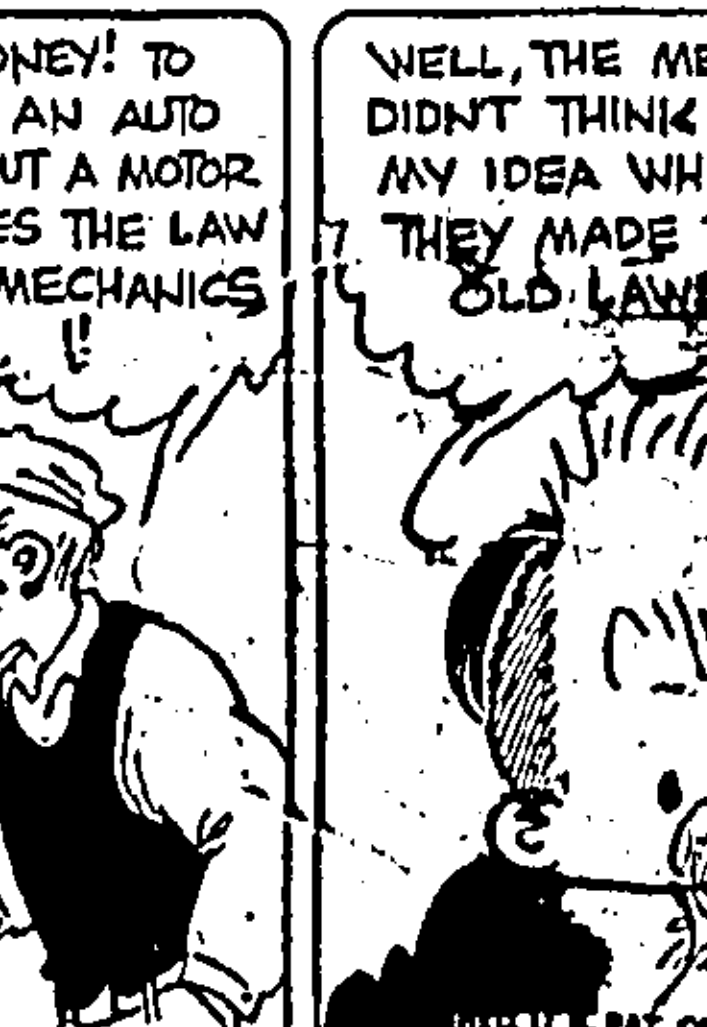
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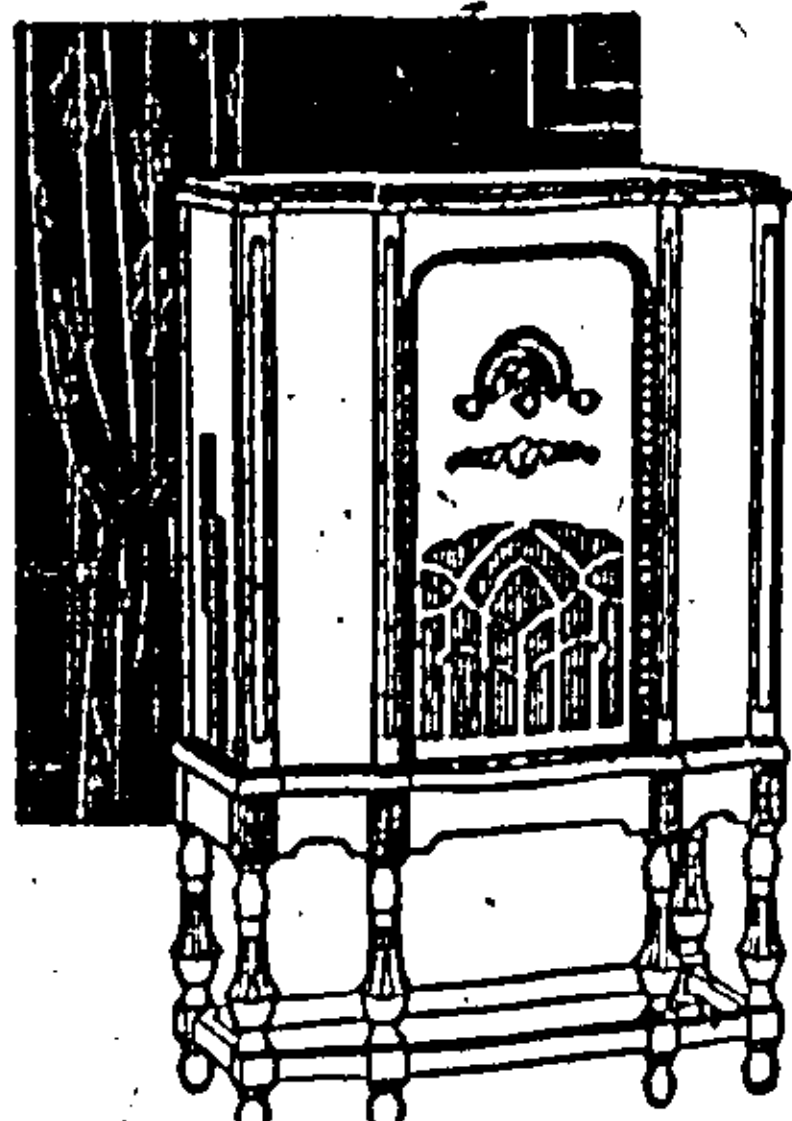
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### BIRTH.

GARLAND.—At the Victoria Hospital, this Morning to Mr. and Mrs. Neil Garland, a daughter.

### DEATH.

FREDERICKS.—At Kowloon on December 13, Johan Louis Max Fredericks, aged 33 years. Funeral will pass the Monument at 5.30 p.m. to-day.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1932.

### WAR DEBT FACTS

The facts and figures which Mr. Neville Chamberlain gave in the House of Commons on Monday in regard to the disparity of treatment which Britain received in her war debt funding agreement with the United States, as compared with America's other debtors, provide a striking commentary on the bad bargain which Mr. Baldwin made on his visit to Washington ten years ago. It is an old story, but it is well that, at this juncture, the facts should be kept in mind. One of the reasons why Britain secured the least generous terms from America is that she signed first; another is that she made so little fuss about it. It is known that Mr. Baldwin felt abashed by the reception accorded to his alternative proposals, but, in the presence of creditors, he did not press the matter. Britain wished to re-establish her credit, and a necessary preliminary was the funding of the war debt to America. When Mr. Baldwin returned, he did not allow his chagrin to escape, for, in an interview at Southampton, he remarked: "If you look at the Senate you will find that the majority come from the agricultural and pastoral communities and do not realise the meaning of an international debt." Very possibly, Mr. Baldwin's outburst made things better for succeeding funding missions. At any rate, they got much better terms. A further point to be stressed is that by the terms of our agreement with America, we have to pay over eighty-two per cent. of what we owed, whilst, on the other hand, we have asked none of our Allies for more than half of their debts to us. Even up to the present time, we have paid

the United States some £200,000,000 more than we have received. In the case of France, we remitted sixty-two per cent. of the debt, and in the case of Italy no less than eighty-six per cent., while the Rumanian, Portuguese, Greek and Yugo-Slavian debts were remitted at from sixty-three to sixty-eight per cent. When consideration is given to facts like these, it is possible to gain some idea of the excessive burden which Britain is being called upon to bear, a burden which has been rendered all the heavier from the fact that reparations payments are at the moment in suspense. But we live in times in which hard realities have to be faced, however disconcerting they may be. And the dominant fact is that agreements have to be respected. The case for revision is overwhelmingly strong, admittedly. Indeed, it is urgent. It may be helped by a remembrance of the actual facts of the situation, which are liable to be lost sight of in the discussion of immediate issues.

### Water Supply

The early imposition of restrictions on the water supply is already justified by results. The arguments of the sceptics and the grumblers that the saving effected by curtailment of the hours of supply is offset by wasteful storage in baths and other containers is belied. Figures supplied by the Water Authority show that the consumption on the mainland for the month of November was nearly 100,000,000 gallons less than during October, although the restrictions did not come into force until November 8, while in Kowloon, in similar conditions, a reduction of consumption by 30,000,000 gallons was achieved. The net saving may be calculated as 30 per cent. on the mainland and slightly under twenty per cent. in Kowloon, figures which must be regarded as satisfactory, particularly as a further improvement should be recorded during December when the result of a full month of the restrictions will be noted. On the present basis of consumption, there should be sufficient water in storage to supply the mainland's requirements on the existing scale until the end of June, unless, owing to the greater need of the mainland, it is found necessary to divert the Shing Mun supply. In any event, it is clear, that the new system, causing trifling inconvenience now, must have the effect of staving off real inconvenience in the Spring and early Summer unless the weather plays the Colony an abnormally scurvy trick.

### "Very Proud"

General approval has greeted the award of the 1932 Nobel Prize for Literature to Mr. John Galsworthy, novelist, dramatist and writer of short stories. Dissentients there will be, of course. Those who found appropriate the award to Mr. Sinclair Lewis in 1930 will not rejoice at seeing the laurel placed on Mr. Galsworthy's brow. They will complain, no doubt, that he belongs to a literary age that is already past. But those who care for the traditions of English letters will welcome this recognition of one of England's most distinguished modern writers. Only Mr. Rudyard Kipling and Mr. Bernard Shaw, among British writers, have been similarly honoured. Surely Mr. Galsworthy's contribution to English literature ranks with theirs. His chief claim to fame of course is "The Forsyte Saga," the record of that English upper-middle-class society from which the author sprang and which now, seemingly, is in its evening. But he has written many other novels and short stories, and he has had, unlike most novelists, a conspicuous success with his plays. "Old English" is probably the best known of his stage works, but "Strife," "Justice," "Loyalties" and "Escape" have also made a deep impression. In his plays, novels and short stories, as in his private life, Mr. Galsworthy is English of the English—Harrow, Oxford and country houses. He stands for that England—for honour and decency and reticence and endurance, for playing the game and for doing the sporting thing. His comment on the present award was characteristically simple and unassuming: "I am very pleased and very proud." He and his kind are enshrined in his works.

## SOME REFLECTIONS ON "PAYMENT DEFERRED"

MOST of the recent A.D.C. productions have been hailed with such acclamation by the Press, and even palpably poor players overloaded with such praise, that I have often felt a very strong inclination to write and point out a few home truths: however I have never done so as there is no point in hurting people's feelings, and an amateur, unlike a professional, is entitled to be bad. But a tradition seems to have grown up locally that everybody in the cast must have his word of praise; this, I think, is unnecessary, and bad acting should just be passed over in silence, otherwise criticism becomes meaningless. I admit that it has already become so far true, and that is why I was so totally unprepared for the quality of the acting in "Payment Deferred," though I had read various criticisms of the play. And since the acting has, on the whole, been underpraised this time, I do not see why I should restrain my inclination to write what are, to me, a few truths about it, since no-one's feelings need be hurt in any way.

Having said so much, I hope I shall be forgiven if I say that I thought the play itself rather a poor one, I am puzzled as to the reasons for this, and not really expert enough in dramatic criticism to lay my fingers on them.

Art and real life are different: an obvious example of this platitude is that a bore on the stage can be devastatingly funny, whereas one knows that if one met him in real life one would merely find him devastatingly boring. The account of a suburban murder affair in the papers is generally unpleasant and sordid; probably, in such a commonplace way that it is difficult to raise any pity for any of the people concerned; in the hands of a great creative artist the same theme becomes tragic and moving. The central theme in "Payment Deferred" is a good one, if slightly obvious: Why, then, is the play, to my mind, faintly boring? Chiefly, I suspect, because as a supposed work of art it lacks distinction. There is no poetry in it. It is the artist's job to raise a sordid episode of every-day life to a higher plane, and give it a tragic significance; this, I think, Mr. Dell has failed to do.

The fact that one knows what the end of the play will be right from the beginning also makes for tedium; but it should not. One knows what is going to happen in all the great tragic plays, but that does not prevent one being intensely moved by them; what "Payment Deferred" essentially lacks is the cathartic element of great art, that purging by pity and terror of one's grosser elements which makes a man emerge from the theatre with his soul singing, although he may have been moved to tears by the tragedy which he has just witnessed.

Perhaps it was asking too much of Mr. Dell to do this, since so very few writers have the power; but I have set down the above in an effort to show why the play, which might have been a very good one, missed, in actual fact, being so. And now to the acting.

The first thing that struck me was the all-round excellence of the cast. I was happy to be spared the embarrassing experience, inevitably common enough in amateur shows, of seeing X struggling with an unsuitable or too difficult part, and not emerging altogether victorious. Nobody was too obviously himself, nor trying too obviously not to be himself. The smaller parts were uncommonly well played, Mr. Brooks, in particular, giving an extraordinarily good study of the doctor, although he was only on the stage a few minutes. In a larger part, Mr. Eager was extremely convincing, and gave the necessary life to some rather colourless writing on the part of the author. Mrs. Arnold had better material to work on, and I was

very surprised to hear it was the first time she had ever acted. There now remain the three big parts. The only thing I have to criticise about Miss Butterfield's performance as the daughter, was her (or possibly the producer's) conception of her before she went to school in France. I personally thought that she was commoner than her parents, and too common for a girl who was going to quite a good school. However, as somebody pointed out to me, she had only just left a council school, so this conception of the part may have been justified, and I may be wrong. Given this conception, Miss Butterfield acted extremely well, both as the school-girl in bloomers, and as the sophisticated product of a finishing school, which, as in this case, so often finishes the girl as far as the parents are concerned.

Two chief parts were played by Miss Birt and Mr. J. J. Roberts. Miss Birt was good; even excellent. Just in one or two places did I feel she was "acting"; I don't mean over-acting, but merely that her emotions did not seem to be springing up from deep inside her. But at the best moment of the play, when she picks up the book on poison and the realization suddenly comes over her of what has happened, she was, judged by any standards, very fine. At this moment, when the husband silently comes in and stands behind her, realising that she now knows his secret, I experienced a genuine artistic thrill. The play itself here reaches momentarily a high level.

Mr. Roberts' performance throughout was superb. Purely from the point of view of memorizing such a long part, it was an astonishing feat, but the whole interpretation of the part was finely conceived and finely carried out. I started, naturally enough, thinking of Marlow as Mr. Roberts, whom I happen to know, but before long I was thinking only of Marlow as Marlow. The way the wretched man's character improved under the impact of inescapable unhappiness was brought out with a sure and sympathetic touch. All together one has to go back to Mr. Sinclair's time to parallel such acting as this, and I rather doubt if it has often been equalled in Hongkong.

Anybody who has read as far as this will have realised that the producer did her work remarkably well, and he will not be wrong. Mrs. Grossman's acting, I have admired ever since I first saw it, but I must admit I had no idea she would turn out to be a good producer. A play of this kind badly handled might have been ghastly; there were limitless opportunities for false notes, but none were struck. This, though important, is negative praise, and Mrs. Grossman deserves a good deal more than that. As I have already mentioned, the best moment of the play was finely handled, but the production was very well handled throughout. I particularly noticed the absence of any bad grouping or fidgety or awkward movements, and all the actors were easily audible at the back of the house. The only thing I have any doubts about was the tempo of the playing; I am not sure that it could not have been speeded up a little to advantage, but I realize that it is not a play that can be played quickly, and the immense difficulties of not letting it drag a little in places.

In the foregoing estimate of the players and production I am aware that I have used a great many laudatory adjectives, but this is not to say that I sat through the evening entranced; I did not. But I did think that judged by any standards both the acting and the production were quite good, and judged by amateur standards, they very good. Had the play itself had greater intrinsic merit, it would have been a memorable production for Hongkong. As it was I was very glad to see that the A.D.C. had at last broken with their recent custom of putting on plays only of the highest type, and I hope that in future they will be even more ambitious. I recommend such a play as "The Skin Game," for instance, to their attention.



"Be sure to thank auntie if she says she is going to leave you a million dollars. Here's ten cents to help you remember."

## The Very Idea!

### Pity the Poor Taipans

By Edward Kelly, Charity Worker.

Pity the poor taipan on the \$1,000 a week breadline. They're having a terrible time, what with the new duty on motor cars, and the unrest in the Amaha Association.

We have just seen a cocktail curve which looked like the upward flight of a rocket. Owing to absinth rising to \$50 a bottle, men on the \$1,000 a week dole are faced with the daily dread of having to sacrifice either their stiff cocktail or their 1840 vintage brandy. The effect on their morale can be well imagined.

Cases have even been brought to our notice where rich taipans are recovering their digestions. The medical profession is, in consequence, in an appalling state.

The cost of rent has become so prohibitive that it is not now possible to obtain a 40 room house for under \$400 a month.

Even at this price, only one tennis court is supplied, and electric lights are not laid on in the grounds.

We know of one or two taipans, nearly reduced to the breadline in Hongkong, who have actually worn their silk hats and patent leather shoes at least half a dozen times.

To show how much it costs today for the average simple meal one taipan can offer another we print the following sample menu:

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Pate de foie gras                 | .....\$7.00  |
| Oyster Cocktail                   | .....7.00    |
| Real mushroom and oyster soup     | .....6.00    |
| Steamed garoupe, oyster sauce     | .....8.00    |
| Poussin en papillote              | .....9.50    |
| Scrambled eggs and asparagus tips | .....7.50    |
| Mushrooms                         | .....3.50    |
| Omelette au Kruschen              | .....6.00    |
| Cheese Souffle                    | .....4.20    |
| Total                             | .....\$57.70 |

In addition, there are cocktails and wines, say a Martini at \$1, a glass of Amontillado with the soup at another \$1, a small bottle of hock with the fish at \$1.00, and an absinthe to finish off with, say \$1.50. This basic luncheon altogether would run into \$62.20. With the standard cunshaw of ten per cent. the grand total is \$68.50.

Is it any wonder that our poor taipans are wondering from where and whom their next meal is coming?

### OUR AUTUMN BOOK LIST.

Few important novels have appeared this autumn—few that is that make any contribution to the novelist's technique, but those that do are very important indeed.

The first on the list we place "The Freezing Stare" by P. Khyte. Mr. Khyte knows his Penk and his story of how a "foreigner" trickled in and what happened when he tried to make himself at home is poignant, with a poignancy all its own. Full of the most exquisite shudders.

"An Exile in Exile."—By Sir Cumference de Tong. A special edition of this novel has been printed on asbestos and fastened with string and sealing-wax. Sir Cumference is one of the few modern authors who gains strength from stone to stone. He is the master of the short story and these include his best, including the one about the farmer's daughter.

"Queer Street."—By E. D. Ward Kelly. A remarkable book. Mr. Kelly observes his fellow creatures with a tender pity. Tears and smiles intermingle and love and sorrow walk hand in hand. Every one who likes full-blooded writing will like Kelly. There is nothing vague about him. The book is experimental in form. It is written entirely without verbs and further escapes the taint of normality by being printed upside down.

"Walls of Jericho."—By P. W. Dee. This is the type of book which should prove a boon to the young and to those who wish to remain young by keeping their minds alert. A queer story, it is the record of a group of engineers' terrible fight against odds in a wild outlandish country on the borders of China. Reads almost like fiction.

"Stolen Minutes."—By Ron de Vours. Clearly this is a book which one should not examine too closely for fear of intrusion. "A fair Coughdrop," said H. J. K. Sitwell, in an interview. A vibrant spirit fills the book and gives it a concentrated unity of mood.

### WINTER COMES.

Winter has come. Asterisk. Might as well have two asterisks, to keep it well covered.

The changes and benefits it confers are animal, vegetable and debatable. For instance, porridge-stalkers are early nauts, their long and sensitive noses and butter-stained cars quivering with anticipation.



## ARMY BARBER'S CASE

## AMENDED CLAIM NOT ALLOWED

The hearing of the claim for \$144.17 by Ali Asgar Shah, of 87, Austin Road, against Badar Din, of the Kowloon Hotel, ground floor, barber contractor to the Lincolnshire Regiment at Shamshupo, in respect of wages due under a contract dated 16th September, was continued at the Supreme Court this morning before the Pulane Judge (Mr. Justice Wood).

Mr. A. el Arculli, who is appearing for the defence, submitted that the \$5,000 mentioned in the agreement was really liquidated damages and not a penalty. He quoted several authorities to support his contention.

His Lordship said he did not think it was a case of liquidated damages.

Mr. M. A. Silva, appearing for plaintiff, then asked for the Court's leave to amend his writ with an alternative claim on a verbal agreement of employment.

Mr. Arculli—My friend cannot do that. He must succeed on one contract or the other.

Mr. Silva—My alternative claim would be one which defendant would be stopped from denying. His Lordship would not permit the amendment.

Defendant was this morning subjected to cross-examination by Mr. Silva. The case is proceeding.

## SNATCHER ROBS LADY

## PRISON AND BIRCHING ORDERED

Mrs. Lambert, of 8, Leighton Hill Road, appeared as complainant before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court this morning to prosecute an unemployed Chinese on a charge of snatching her handbag in Caroline Hill Road, yesterday afternoon.

The defendant, on pleading guilty, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the birch.

Detective Sergeant J. Kennedy informed his Worship that Mrs. Lambert was waiting for a bus in Caroline Hill Road at its junction with Link Road at 2.30 p.m. yesterday when the defendant, approaching from behind, snatched her handbag and ran into a building under construction. He was seen by a contractor, Ng Tai-tong, who gave chase and had the man arrested.

The police were summoned and after the defendant was taken into custody, a search was made for the missing handbag but it was not recovered. The total loss sustained was \$129, including \$114 in money.

## SESSIONS START ON MONDAY

## SEVERAL CASES ON THE LIST

The December Criminal Sessions commence on Monday next, and the cases to be heard on that day, before His Honour the Pulane Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), are as follows:—Li Sang, Li Choi, Lau Po, Lau Kwan, Kwok Luen-hing, and Leung Fai, breach of deportation orders; Wong Ngan, robbery by two or more; Fung Po-wan, attempted murder; and Lo Chong, manslaughter.

On Tuesday, Lai Po and Lai Yuen will appear on charges of child stealing and child harbouring and on Wednesday, Lau Kau will appear charged with larceny by a clerk or servant.

Mr. J. A. Fraser will appear for the Crown.

## OIL RESTRICTION AGREEMENT

## TO BE RENEWED EVERY THREE MONTHS

Paris, Dec. 13. Complete agreement was reached at the International Oil Conference, which terminated to-day, when Rumania consented to restrict her output to 13,500 tons daily.

The agreement is for an indefinite period, but is subject to renewal every three months, owing to the impossibility of estimating the demand in advance over long periods of time.

It is considered that if the Russian production is reduced in the coming three months, Rumania will ask permission to increase her output correspondingly.—Reuter.

## WAR DEBTS

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or until it had been decided not to ratify it.

The British Government earnestly trusted that the examination of the whole question of war debts in their relation to world recovery, which the United States Government had agreed to, would result in a settlement which would enable the Lausanne Agreement to be ratified.

## NO DECISION AT PRESENT.

In the meantime, the British Government considered it of the utmost importance that no decision should be taken at present to the effect that the Lausanne Agreement could not be ratified. Consequently assuming that this view was concurred in by the other Governments concerned, the suspension of reparations and war debts would remain in force, but all rights of the British Government under the existing agreements would be integrally reserved.

## ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARY.

Answering a supplementary question as to whether France had agreed to pay Britain £12,000,000 a year, irrespective of payments from Germany, the Chancellor said the agreement with France provided that the payments were due to Britain quite irrespective of any payments received from Germany by France. He also stated that there was nothing incompatible between American willingness to consider revision of war debts, with a view to world recovery, and the arrangement made at Lausanne, which in his opinion, was an essential preliminary.

He added: "We are entitled, and we intend if so able, to make a separate settlement with the United States."—British Wireless.

## SIX DAYS AND NIGHTS

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objects. He blindly grasped one of these, and it proved to be an uprooted coconut tree.

## COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED

To this he tenaciously clung, while the tree was carried out farther and farther out to sea. The next six days and nights were for him a period of keen suffering, of hunger and exposure, with hopes momentarily buoyed up by the sight of passing steamers. Three such passed him in the night without his being able to attract their attention.

When the ship arrived here on the 30th, he was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, whence he was discharged this morning alive and well.

The Police authorities have taken him under their wing, and as no friends of his have been found in Hongkong to assist him, the authorities have decided to lodge him in the House of Detention where he can at least be assured of food and shelter for the time being while his repatriation is being arranged.

Detective Sergeant Carruthers made the necessary application to the Magistrate, Mr. Grantlham, this morning, when he formally charged the Malay under the vagrancy law, and the detention order was accorded.

## IS THE CINEMA IMMORAL?

## LIVELY Y.M.C.A. DEBATE ANTICIPATED

The cinema and its moral, or immoral, influence is to come under the searchlight of the Y. M. C. A. debaters to-morrow, when the motion "That the Cinema is detrimental to national morals is to be discussed.

The debate will take place in the West Lounge at 9 p.m., to which all members and friends are invited, including ladies, and as the cinema is a popular subject in the minds

## BRITAIN IN THE CRISIS

## PRINCE OF WALES' TRIBUTE

London, Dec. 13.

The Prince of Wales, in a speech to-day, paid a tribute to the manner in which Britain is fighting the world depression.

The "world," he said, "realises that although we are suffering, like other countries, during these bad times, we are not over-depressed by it."



"As has happened to us in the past in the great struggles of our history, the very magnitude of our difficulties has aroused a spirit of determination to overcome them."

The Prince referred to his recent visits to British industrial areas and said that some wonderful work was being done in developing new means of employment.

Evidence of British confidence would give confidence to other countries and thus stimulate general recovery.—British Wireless.

## EXCHANGE RATES

|                  | Dec. 12.   | Dec. 13.   |
|------------------|------------|------------|
| Paris            | 83 1/2     | 83 1/2     |
| Geneva           | 163 1/2    | 170 1/2    |
| Berlin           | 13 21/32   | 13 7/16    |
| Hamburg          | 228        | 228        |
| Oslo             | 19 3/16    | 19 3/16    |
| Athens           | 59 1/2     | 59 1/2     |
| Milan            | 63 11/16   | 64 1/16    |
| Buenos Aires     | Nom.       | Nom.       |
| Shanghai         | 1/9        | 1/8 1/2    |
| New York         | 3 3/8      | 3 7/16     |
| Amsterdam        | 8 10 1/2   | 8 15       |
| Vienna           | 27 1/2     | 27 1/2     |
| Prague           | 110 1/4    | 110 1/2    |
| Madrid           | 40         | 40 3/16    |
| Bucharest        | 56 1/2     | 55 1/2     |
| Hongkong         | 1 1/4      | 1 3/16     |
| Brussels         | 23 5/16    | 23 5/16    |
| Stockholm        | 18 30 1/2  | 18 30 1/2  |
| Copenhagen       | 19 28 1/2  | 19 29 1/2  |
| Lisbon           | 107 1/2    | 108        |
| Rio              | 5 1/2      | 5 1/2      |
| Bombay           | 1 1/2 3/16 | 1 3/16 1/2 |
| Yokohama         | 1 1/3 1/2  | 1 3/16 1/2 |
| Montevideo       | 30         | 30         |
| Montreal         | 3 78 1/2   | 3 79 1/2   |
| Belgrade         | 242 1/2    | —          |
| War Loan         | —          | —          |
| Silver (spot)    | 17 1/2     | 17 1/2     |
| Silver (forward) | 17 9/16    | 17 1/2     |

—British Wireless.

of most people these days, a lively discussion and a good attendance is anticipated.

Mr. R. O. F. King will propose the motion with the support of Mr. J. M. Kelleher, whilst the opposition will be provided by Mr. S. A. Gray and Mr. N. Stockton.

Members will be given the opportunity of subscribing their opinions as to whether or not the cinema has the insidious influence suggested by the motion.

## DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

ANY AMOUNT OF WORK CAN BE PERFORMED BY CAREFUL FEEDERS: IT IS THE STOMACH THAT KILLS THE ENGLISHMAN.—Meredith.

The Ben line s.s. Henry is due here from Singapore on the 19th inst.

The wedding will shortly take place between Mr. Jose Maria de Jesus Xavier, clerk, of 40, King Kwong Street, Happy Valley, and Miss Maria Conceicao Tang, of 53, Johnston Road, Hongkong.

One of the companies distributing calendars this year in the Messageries Maritimes. The local office sends an effective wall calendar with a coloured picture showing one of their latest liners at anchor, the foreground having an animated scene in which natives of Indo-China figure.

The P. and O. liner Kanpura, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 a.m. on Friday.

Riding a bicycle along Waterloo Road, Alfred Abong, 15, a schoolboy, collided with a Chinese yesterday, causing injuries to the man's left arm.

Until further notice, S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd., will remain open from 8.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. On Saturday, December 24, the store will remain open for business until 7 p.m.

One case of small-pox with one death, 5 cases of diphtheria with 3 deaths, and 2 cases of typhoid with one death were reported to the local health authorities last week. On Monday there were another three cases of diphtheria. Deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis last week totalled 51.

## MAKING HILLSIDE UNSIGHTLY

## BILLPOSTERS BUSY AT TAIKOO

In an endeavour to rid the district of unsightly posters, the police at Shaikwan are keeping a watch for unauthorised billposters who have been in the habit of using the face of the hillside opposite the Taikeo Docks to display their placards.

Inspector G.A. Stimson, officer in charge of the Shaikwan Station, this morning charged a coolie engaged by On Lok Yuen, before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court, with unlawfully posting and exhibiting advertisements upon Crown land without the consent of the Inspector General of Police.

The officer informed his Worship that the face of the hill opposite the Taikeo Dock Yard gate was nothing but a mass of posters, and the police had been making an effort for the past two months to keep the place clear.

The posters were put up during the night, and last night whilst Sergeant Slater was keeping a special watch he arrested the defendant, who was engaged by On Lok Yuen to post bills advertising their biscuits.

The defendant was fined \$10.

## AIR IN MOTION

## DR. R. F. CLAY'S LECTURE TO ROTARIANS

SOME simple experiments demonstrating the peculiarities of air when in motion were given at yesterday's Rotary Club tiffin at Gloucester Building, by Dr. Reginald F. Clay, D. Sc., former principal of the Northern Polytechnic, North London.

Dr. Clay's first experiment concerned a board through which a hole had been made and into which a glass tube had been placed. Attached to the board by means of two pins was a sheet of paper. He blew through the tube, and as he did so gradually brought the paper towards the board until the paper was drawn tightly against it. The harder the speaker blew through the tube the tighter the paper stuck to the board. At a certain point, he said, the paper became attracted to the board. He gave a similar experiment with a cotton reel and a piece of paper.

Another experiment demonstrating the same principle was shown, and the apparatus used in this instance, he said, was a glass tube which had a narrow centre piece, and at the two ends and in the centre were attached three smaller glass tubes which rested in a bowl of water. By blowing at one end it would be noticed that the water in the tube nearest the mouth-piece would rise. In the far tube the water would also fall.

Accounting for this, Dr. Clay said that when one blew into the large tube the air travelled at a regular pace until it came to the restricted part. If the restricted part was half the size of the end portion the air would have to travel four times as fast as it did in the large portion. As the speed increased the pressure became less and so the water rose in the centre tube. When the air came to the larger portion of the main tube again the pressure was restored and so the water at that end fell a little. The same principle applied in the case of the board and paper.

Dr. Clay also demonstrated this principle by means of two tubes fixed at right angles to each other with a small space between the connecting ends. The other end of one tube was placed in a cup of water, and through the free end of the other tube a stream of air was blown. The result was that water was sucked from the cup, up through the tube and out in a spray from the point where the connecting ends of the tubes approximately met. The harder one blew, said the speaker, the greater the force with which the stream of water was ejected from the tube.

Another experiment of the same principle was given with two egg cups and a ping-pong ball. The ball was placed in one of the cups and the other held about an inch or two away. A stream of air was then blown over the cup containing the ball as a result of which the ball was thrown into the other cup.

A handy pocket diary comes from Siemens's China Company. It contains much interesting information and is nicely bound in leather.

As a Hongkong Tramway bus travelling in Wanchai Road, approached Heard Street, yesterday, a Chinese passenger tried to alight, and in doing so suffered a heavy fall and fractured his head. He was removed to hospital, where his condition is regarded as grave.

## RADIO BROADCAST

## SONG RECITAL BY MRS. BOWES-SMITH

From Z.B.W. on wave-length of 365 metres (845 k/c).

5-7 p.m. Chinese programme.

6-8.15 p.m. Children's Concert.

7-10.45 p.m. European programme.

7-7.30 p.m.

Old England—Selection (arr. Baynes).  
Sydney Baynes and His Orch. DX222.  
Songs of Ireland (arr. Duthoit).  
Reg. Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards DB941.

Scotch Medley.  
Bagpipes by Major D. R. MacLennan accompanied by The Band of the 1st Batta. H. M. Seaforth Highlanders MR576.

7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

An English Song Recital by Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith (Soprano) accompanied by Col. G. Kunze.  
1. Slumber Song (Dellius).  
2. Twilight Fancies (Dellius).  
3. To Daffodils (Dellius).

Recorded Violin Solo.  
Passepied (Dellius arr. Gruenberg).  
Tango (Albeniz).  
Telli d'Aranyi DB108.

4. In April (Montague Phillips).  
5. Love's Quarrel (Cyril Scott).  
6. Fair House of Joy (Quilter).

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.3-9 p.m. Variety.

A Woodland Idyll—Bird Songs and Calls.  
Alice Shaw, the Scotch "Bird Man" DB936.

Song—Snuggled on Your Shoulder.  
Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.  
Organ Solo—Tell Her the Truth—Sing Brothers!

Quentin Maclean DB875.  
Vocal Duet—The Ghost of an Old King's Jester.  
Mr. Flotsam and Mr. Jetsam DB883.  
Organ Solo—The Land of Smiles—You Are my Heart's Delight.

Sidney Torch MR398.  
Vocal Duet—The Old Man of the Mountain.

Layton and Johnstone DB943.  
Fox Trot—Goodnight Vienna.  
Debroy Somers Band CB441.

Humorous Song—When the Mutes Screw a Good Man Down.  
A. W. Baskcomb DB903.

Orchestral—Bring a Love Song.  
Albert Sandler and His Orch. DB973.

Song—Love, You Funny Thing.  
Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.  
Organ Solo—Parade.

Quentin Maclean, DB875.  
Vocal Duet—Big Ben Calling.  
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Serenade (Pierce).  
Garotte Tendre (Ganne).  
J. H. Squire Celeste Octet DB928.

9.45-10.45 p.m. From the Studio.

Selections by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan Orchestra directed by Mr. A. W. Storey.

1. Grand Marche from "Aida" (Verdi).  
2. Selection "Mlle. Modiste" (Victor Herbert).  
3. Mignonne (Prinl).  
Intermission.

1. Adagio Pathétique (Godeard).  
2. Selection "The Desert Song" (Romberg).  
Intermission.

1. Reverie "Eleanor" (Deppen).  
2. Canzonetta (Hollaender).  
3. Selection "H.M.S. Pinafore" (Sullivan).

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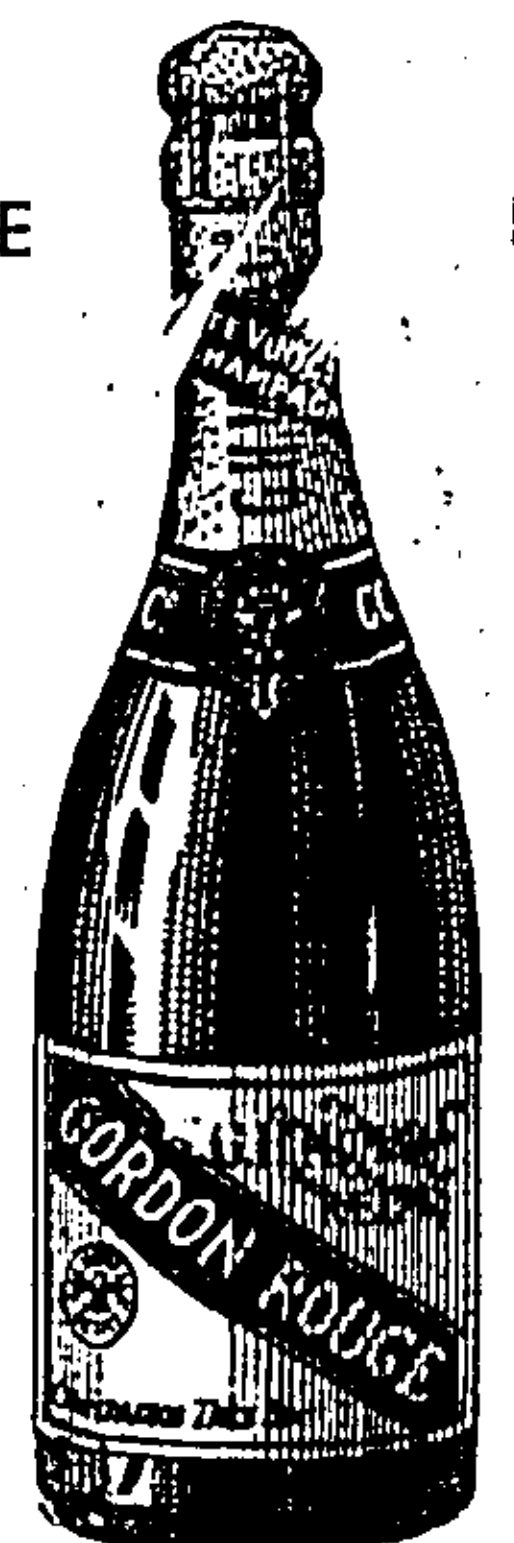
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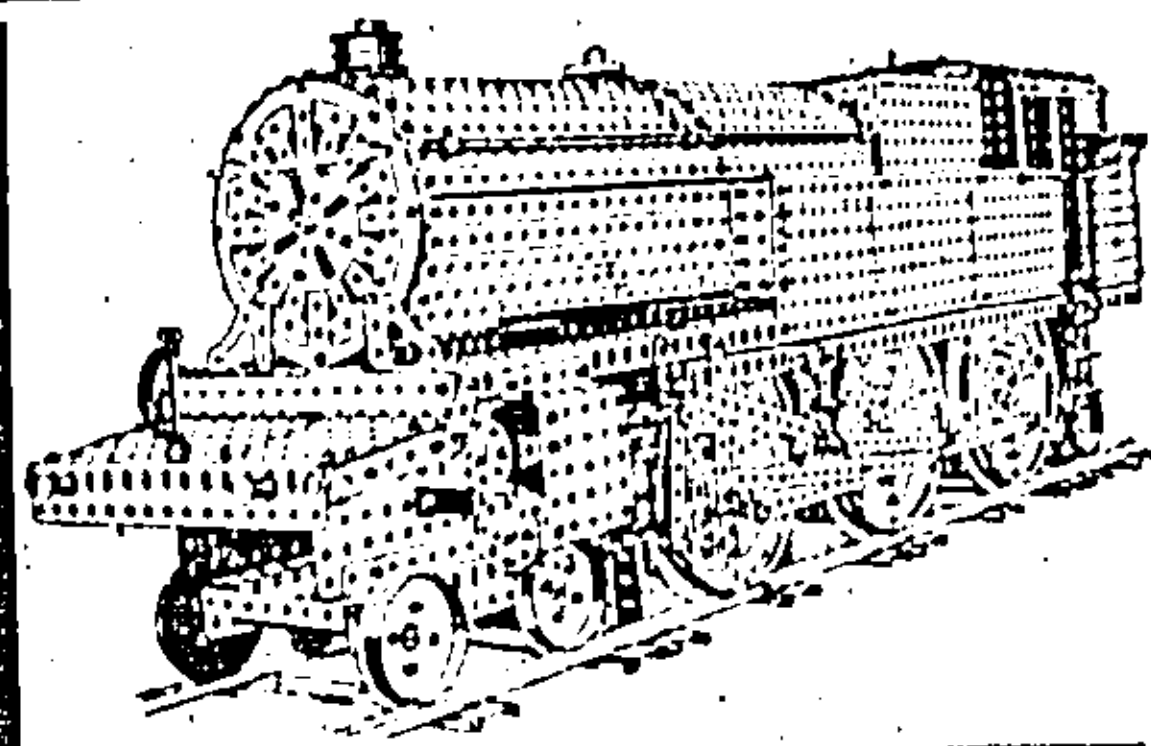
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## DEPLETED VARSITY TEAM LOSES

Battery Win a Very One-Sided Game

(By "Bully-Off")

In view of the fact that they fielded a much depleted side the University did well to hold the 1st I.K.S. Battery to a score of three goals to one on the Marina ground yesterday, in a Mamak Tournament game.

The game was very one-sided, and as a result very uninteresting, the Varsity scored their only goal in the first half.

ANOTHER POINT LOST.

Meeting on the Marina ground yesterday, the Police and R.A.M.C. played a drawn match, both teams scoring once.

This is the third game in which the Police have conceded points in the Mamak League.

LINCOLNS OUTPLAYED.

The Y.M.C.A., playing at King's Park yesterday, gained a three clear goal victory over the Lincoln's in a fast and interesting game. The Y.M.C.A. opened their account within the first minute of play through T. J. Price, and while they were two men short.

Before the interval Brown increased their lead, and in the second half G. C. Burnett scored the third. Lieut. Hocquard played a sterling game at left back for the regiment, while McLellan, Price and Brown were outstanding in the "Y" side. The Lincoln's were unfortunate not to score at least twice in the opening half.

TO-DAY'S GAME.

Mamak League.

R. Signals v University—Marina.

Signals:—Brown: Cook and Cord; Hardy, H. Jones and Scott; Bryce, Chaffey, Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson, Convey and W. Jones.

FRIDAY.

Mamak League.

R. Signals v R.A.M.C.—Marina.

Signals:—Brown: Neale and Cord; Hardy, H. Jones and Scott; Bryce, Chaffey, Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson, Convey and W. Jones.

FANLING GOLF.

Draw for Captain's Cup Competition.

of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club is as follows:  
(1) H. Hampton (11) v. C. C. Stark  
(7).  
(2) G. T. Hole (15) v. H. W. Daukes  
(12).  
(3) T. Megarry (14) v. H. H. Mundy

## "THREE-QUARTERS" RUGBY COMMENTS

Appearing in To-morrow's "Telegraph"

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, "Three-quarters" rugby notes, which were to have appeared to-day, have been held over.

They will appear in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph, and will include interesting comments on the Navy v Club match, together with prospects for Saturday's Triangular Tournament encounter between these teams.

## LEAGUE BILLIARDS.

Only Two Matches Played Last Week.

ST. PATRICK'S ON TOP.

Only two matches were played last week, in the St. Paul's Club winning all their games against the Garrison Sergeants' Mess and the Palace Hotel Club taking two points from the C. & P.O.'s Club.

"All Paddy's" were on form, though S. Sgt. Clarke gave M. Silva a fright, leading by 40 at the hundred mark. Although only winning two of the six games played, Palace Hotel beat the C. & P.O.'s Club on aggregate, thereby annexing the major portion of the points, mainly through a big win by S. Cruz, who beat C. P. O. Greenwell 100-65.

St. Pat's go to the top of the table, changing places with the S. W. B. Sergeants' Mess, otherwise the order is unchanged. The R. E. Sergeants' Mess are still keeping the rest supported, and are still pointed. Results:

St. Patrick's v Garrison Sergeants' Mess.

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## WORLD'S LEADING TENNIS PLAYERS

VINES HEADS LIST OF TEN

FITTING TRIBUTE

HENRI COCHET IN THIRD PLACE



THE WORLD'S BEST in pictures. Top is Ellsworth Vines, the brilliant young American who has sent himself to the top of the ladder of tennis fame during 1932 by winning the Wimbledon blue ribbon and two national championships.

Left is Henri Cochet, the "wizard" of the courts who holds second place in the world's ranking by virtue of his brilliant play in the Davis Cup.

On right is Jean Borotra, deservedly placed No. 3, if only for his amazing work against America in the Davis Cup final, when he won the match for France off his own racket.

Below, H. W. Austin, now relegated to last place in the list after a series of many ups and downs, and achievements and disappointments.



ELLSWORTH Vines, Wimbledon champion, American champion, and champion of the world, has been elected to fill the highest position attainable amongst tennis players—the leader of the world's first ten.

The 1932 list which has just been published includes some startling allotments, such as fifth place to Clifford Sutter, the young American, the relegation of H. W. Austin to tenth position and the inclusion of Wilmer Allison at No. 4.

The complete list is:

H. E. Vines (U.S.A.).  
Henri Cochet (France).  
Jean Borotra (France).  
W. Allison (U.S.A.).  
Clifford Sutter (U.S.A.).  
D. P. Perry (Great Britain).  
Baron von Cramm (Germany).  
Jack Crawford (Australia).  
H. Austin (Great Britain).

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COCHET SECOND.

Cochet is given second place because he was runner-up in the American championships. For several years this court Frenchman from Lyons has headed the world's ranking lists.

MACAO RACING.

Lack of Interest Shown by Residents.

APPEAL TO COLONY.

Regret for the lack of interest shown by residents of Macao in the meetings held in the Portuguese Colony, was expressed by Mr. G. H. Potts when presiding at the annual meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which was held at the registered office of the club in Hongkong last week.

Addressing the meeting the chairman said:

"The Stewards regret having to come before you with accounts showing a loss of \$17,000 odd. This is accounted for largely through the heavy expenses which have been incurred, and the loss of a draft of subscription monies in Shanghai, which upset our arrangements for at least one meeting. In the earlier part of the period covered by the accounts, we were paying a salary of \$1,000 a month to the Racing Secretary, who severed his connexion with the Club by taking up racing, it would not only be very encouraging but would enable us to depend less on ponies from Hongkong."

"I think we may claim without unduly flattering ourselves, that we have not only afforded the residents in Macao with good racing, but have benefited the Colony financially. With these few remarks, I will now move the adoption of the report and accounts as presented and after the resolution has been duly seconded I shall be pleased to answer any questions to the best of my ability."

Business of Meeting.

The report and accounts were adopted, on being seconded by Mr. G. H. Potts. The present Stewards, Messrs. G. H. Potts, A. H. Carroll, H. B. L. Dowling, A. J. P. Heard, P. M. Hodgson, Li Tse-fong, Y. M. Lo, G. S. S. M. H. H. H. Priestley, C. A. Sutton, were re-elected on the motion of the chairman, seconded by Mr. H. Seth.

Mr. A. H. Potts had been proposed by Mr. A. Kitchell as a Steward but he declined. He thanked the proposer and the seconders, Mr. H. Seth, and intimated that as he could not go but intended to Macao in the winter, he very much regretted he would not be able to accept office.

Messrs. Linstead & Davis were re-elected Auditors for the ensuing year, at a remuneration of \$500.

## TWO BRITISH PLAYERS IN RANKING

AUSTIN AT NO. 10

CONSISTENCY OF FRED PERRY REWARDED



Cup ties, lost to Prens in Berlin in the fifth set after leading by five games to one. But he finished up well in America, winning at Los Angeles and San Francisco. He lost a series of matches throughout the season in the fifth set—all of which he ought really to have gained.

Another German, von Cramm, may be placed eighth. He won the German championship and he beat Austin in the Davis Cup tie.

The last two places are difficult to fill. Crawford is a great player on his day. But during his European tour his service delivery was falling and he proved to be too temperamental.

HARD TO FILL.

Last place of all is the hardest to fill. Austin reached the Wimbledon final but in doing so defeated none better than J. Satoh in the semi-final round—on an occasion when Satoh made repeated protests about the wet state of the turf.

Solely because the records give him the place of runner-up at Wimbledon he is given the tenth place. But his season was a disastrous one. Two subject failures in the only Davis Cup tie he played in (he was beaten badly by Prens and von Cramm in Berlin), and he was smashed by Sutter in the American championships.

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## CINEMA SCREENINGS

NOTES SUPPLIED BY THE  
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A scene played by instinct, Robert Montgomery asserts, is better than a scene rehearsed a dozen times—and the more rehearsal, the more believe, the more pitfalls for the actor. Montgomery has always depended on "first hunches" from the time he made his first picture, "So This Is College," and kicked a football between goal posts in a first scene. He wasn't able to do it again, although he tried all day. "If the actor knows his lines," says Montgomery, "he can dash in and do a scene with snap and ginger—but the more he rehearses, the more tired he becomes, until he reaches a point where he misses a line. That's the secret of Clarence Brown's direction. In his direction of 'Lettie Lynton,' Joan Crawford, Miss Astor and myself all noticed it. He never gets nervous, and that means the cast isn't likely to. He rehearses once for the camera angles as a rule, then 'shoots' his scene, unless it's something very intricate. Everyone is always at ease. Louisa Clouser Hale, thirty-five years on the stage in New York, and more or less new to pictures, told me that working in 'Lettie Lynton' she was not nervous, for the first time since she has been in pictures. Brown agrees with Montgomery on the dangers of too many rehearsals. 'Lettie Lynton' is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

"Thunder Below."

"Poise is that quality which usually distinguishes the veteran from the stage novice. It is merely a matter of confidence," said Tallulah Bankhead, theatre and film star recently. "Poise is the ability to appear thoroughly at home, unshaken by nervousness and utterly without stage-fright." "Thunder Below," which will be shown at the King's Theatre this week, with Charles Bickford, Paul Lukas, Eugene Pallette and Ralph Forbes in the featured masculine roles. "Therefore, it is natural that if one is confident of mastering any situation, poise is a result. It is as easy as that," continued the former star of "Tarnished Lady" and "My Sin." "However, it is no so easy to achieve, unless an actress is born with no self-consciousness, without fear of others and with an unflinching memory. If poise has to be cultivated, it requires experience in meeting situations, much contact with strangers and careful study in all forms of speech delivery and stage business."

"The First Year."

"The average woman talks too much and thinks too little," declares Minna Gombell, the Fox player. "And," she adds, "I am one of those average women. I know I talk a great deal more than is good for me. For instance, the other day I confessed I had turned down two proposals of marriage. The fact found its way into print and, since then, I have been honoured by two more of my male friends who want to hear wedding bells ring. That is, they want to hear them in my company. 'I'm not ready to marry; I haven't learned to cook yet, and as for darning socks, I'm a green hand.' My career is all that interests me now. I expect, however, the time will come when I shall marry and settle down and, perhaps, raise a family. I shall not look for a tall, dark and handsome man. Rather I shall pick out some ordinary looking male who can smile and who, in a pinch, is able to cook a dinner. I have always admired men who cook and—and soldier."

Miss Gombell is to be seen at the King's Theatre with Janet Gray and Charles Farrell in the "The First Year." The film was directed by William K. Howard from the screen adaptation of Frank Craven's stage success of the same name.

"Born to Love."

A loud speaker system, similar to that used in the amplification of public addresses, was employed by Paul L. Stein in directing the London Armistice Day celebration scenes of "Born to Love," the latest Constance Bennett picture which opens at the Central Theatre on Thursday. Through the use of this system, Stein was able to give direct orders to the 2000 players who milled, shouted and paraded their way through the swirling action. Six cameras, mounted at various strategic points captured every detail of the action, while microphones recorded the din of shouting and singing voices, shrilling whistles, wailing sirens, screaming ladders and blaring bands. Tons of confetti and a big truck load of decorative streamers were used, while the buildings lining the streets were fully decorated. With the exception of Constance Bennett and Joel Mellen, practically the rest of the cast were British. Paul Craven, who gives a magnificent performance in this picture, is a graduate of Cambridge. Anthony Bushell, a popular player is from Oxford. There were also numerous British extras employed in making this film.

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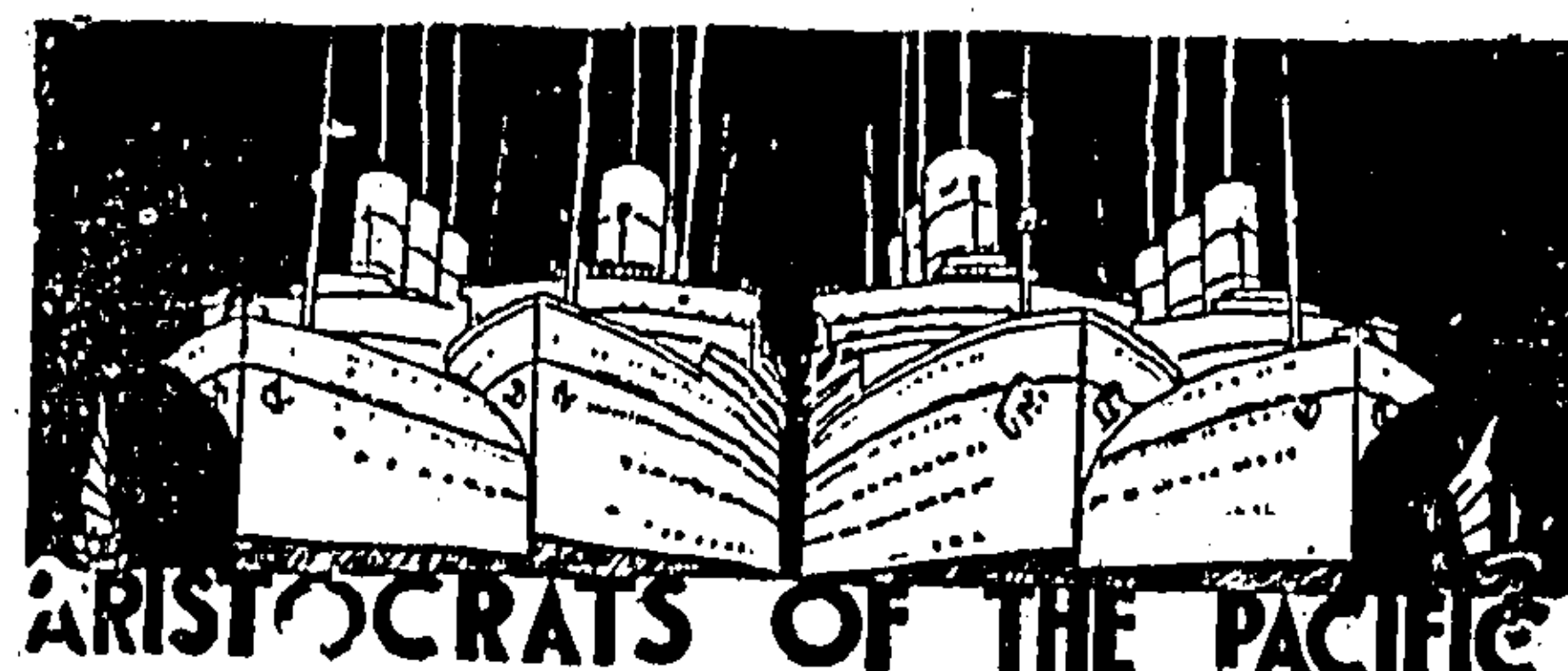
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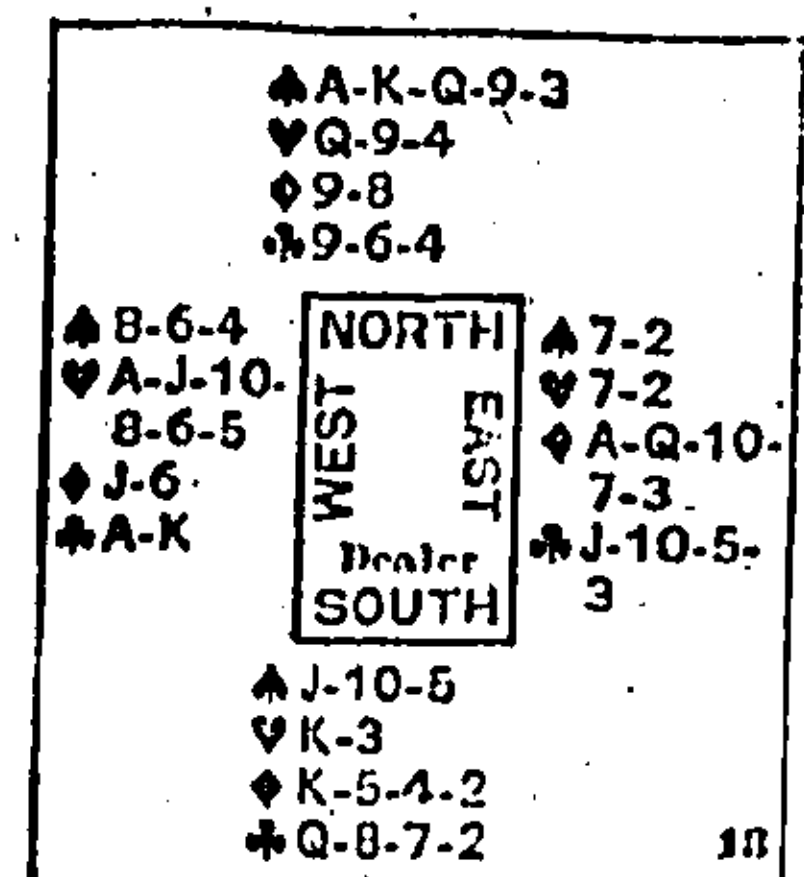
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BRIDGE

By W. E. McKenney

(Owing to unforeseen circum-  
stances, the remainder of Mr. Mc-  
Kenney's articles on the new scoring  
system in contract bridge have not  
yet come to hand. To-day, we give  
one of his sample hands from play—  
Ed.)

The following interesting hand  
brings out a very instructive  
point. When you hold a high  
honour of opponents' trump, this  
card may appear worthless, but  
very often it can be used to good  
advantage to establish a trump in  
your partner's hand.



**The Bidding**  
This hand was played at auc-  
tion and the bidding was as fol-  
lows: South passed, West bid  
one heart. North overcalled with  
a spade. While East's hand was  
rather weak, he was justified in  
bidding two diamonds after his  
partner had opened the bidding.  
South supported his partner's suit  
by bidding two spades. West  
then bid three hearts which  
brought the contract.

The contract bidding would be  
the same except that bold players  
might risk four hearts with the  
West hand after the diamond bid  
by East.

**The Play**  
North made the natural opening  
—the king of spades, which held  
the trick. South playing the five.  
North continued with the queen  
of spades. Remember that when  
you hold ace, king, queen, the king  
should be led to show the ace. If  
it holds the trick, don't continue  
with the ace, but lead the queen  
so that your partner can better  
read your hand. South played the  
10 and West, the declarer, the six  
spot. South had played the five  
and 10 of spades thereby denying  
holding the eight spot. He now  
held either the jack or no more  
spades. As long as declarer could  
trump in the dummy North con-  
tinued with a spade allowing  
dummy to trump immediately.

A small waste was led, how-  
ever, which dummy trumped with  
the deuce of hearts and South  
played the jack of spades, declar-  
er following with the eight of  
spades. The seven of hearts was  
led from dummy and declarer  
finessed the ten spot which North  
won with the queen. With no  
more trump in dummy, North  
was correct in leading his ace of  
spades to force the declarer. A  
small diamond was discarded  
from dummy.

What would you do with the  
South hand? Would you discard  
a club or a diamond? If so, the  
declarer will make four odd. You  
hold the king of hearts—you  
know that the declarer will swing  
his ace of hearts on the next  
round, picking up your king. He  
will then lead his jack, and if  
your partner should happen to  
have the nine and a small heart,  
this will pick up your partner's  
nine spot.

When this hand was played,

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RESULTS OF ROSE SALES  
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The gross receipts of the Rose  
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**Motor-Car Draw.**  
The following is the list of winners  
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Motor-Car, ticket number 1984 (Mr.  
A. V. Pearce).  
Consolation, 1st Prize, 2810 (Mr. J.  
Parkinson).  
2nd Prize, 3204 (Mr. H. Wong).  
3rd Prize, 2224 (Mr. W. Naughton).  
4th Prize, 679 (Mr. C. Mutton).  
5th Prize, 3259 (Miss Ellis).  
Delivery from Mr. A. A. Alves, Fire  
Department, Union Insurance Society  
of Canton.

**Result of American Stall.**  
American Stall, 1st Drawing:  
1st prize, 1 doll, won by Peggy  
Silva; 2nd, doll, R. Ohl; 3rd, Eureka  
set, H. Withler; 4th, game, Heien  
Mar; 5th, game, Molly.

2nd Drawing—1st prize, doll, Leo  
Lewis; 2nd, doll house, Chas. Metham;  
3rd, donkey, E. Frits; 4th, game, Rev.  
J. O. Donovan; 5th, game, A. J.  
Friggs.

3rd Drawing—1st prize, doll,  
Rogelio Yen; 2nd, doll, J. Fonseca;  
3rd, Eureka set, R. 1st; 4th, game,  
John Pomeroy; 5th, game, A. Ye.  
4th Drawing—1st prize, doll, Dr.  
P. Chan; 2nd, doll, Mr. Look See; 3rd  
Eureka set, Wong (H.A.T.); 4th,  
game, B. R. France; 5th, game, Do  
Seau.

**American Stall (Special) 1st**  
Drawing:  
1st prize, punch bowl, C. White-  
head; 2nd, punch on wheel, L. Welli;  
3rd, doll, Arthur A. Alves; 4th, game,  
E. Landau; 5th, game, A. H. Marcal.  
2nd Drawing—1st prize, doll, Ines  
d'Assumpcao; 2nd, doll, J. Cavanagh;  
3rd, Eureka set, Arthur A. Alves; 4th,  
set kitten, H. T. Buxton; 5th, game,  
J. Lee.

3rd Drawing—1st prize 1 doll, R.  
Leon; 2nd, doll in cradle, G. Gilbert;  
3rd, Eureka set, Hilda Gaan; 4th, pair  
bats, E. J. Adams; 5th, box blocks,  
Frank d'Almeida; 6th, game,  
J. Lee.

4th Drawing—1st prize doll, J. M.  
Silva; 2nd, doll, G. Sanger; 3rd, cake  
stand, F. D. Tracey; 4th, counter, H.  
Butter; 5th, game, A. L. Brunet.  
5th Drawing—1st prize, doll, Miss  
M. C. Braga; 2nd, doll, Lam Pak-wei;

South trumped his partner's ace  
of spades with the king of hearts in  
an endeavour to establish the  
nine spot for him. Declarer was  
forced to over-trump with the ace  
of hearts. He then led the jack  
of hearts. North following with  
the four, dummy discarding a  
club, and South discarding the  
five of diamonds. When the next  
heart was led, North won with the  
nine spot and led a diamond. The  
finesse was taken and South won  
with the king.

By trumping his partner's ace  
of spades, South created an extra  
trick for his partner, thereby de-  
feating the declarer's contract one  
trick. South had everything to  
win and nothing to lose by trump-  
ing with the king of hearts. If  
his partner did not hold the nine  
spot, no harm was done.

## JAPAN FIRM

NO PARTICIPATION IN  
COMMITTEE

Tokyo, Dec. 13.  
The Japanese Government has  
cabled instructions to the Japan-  
ese delegation to decline to partic-  
ipate in the Committee of Con-  
ciliation proposed to be appointed  
by the League Assembly to find a  
settlement of the Manchuria dis-  
pute.

This decision is in spite of per-  
suaasive efforts, including those by  
Sir Francis Lindley, the British  
Ambassador.

It is pointed out, however, that  
Japan stands as firm as ever for  
following three basic points:  
(1) Inasmuch as the Man-  
churian problem is a vital issue  
for Japan which does not permit  
any interference from a third  
party, it is absolutely necessary  
that the parties to the dispute  
should be represented and the  
status of Manchukuo be not dis-  
cussed by the Committee.

(2) Whereas the League Coun-  
cil should discuss the Manchurian  
problem, it would be a serious de-  
linquency for the Council to shirk  
its responsibilities and refer the  
problem to a conciliation commit-  
tee; and the invitation of the non-  
member states, America and Rus-  
sia, would compromise the League's  
prestige by exposing its in-  
competency.

(3) The basic, and absolutely  
necessary, condition for a settle-  
ment of the Manchurian problem  
is the taking into account of the  
realities of the situation, includ-  
ing the independence of Manchukuo  
and its recognition by Japan.

The last mentioned is a point  
that Japan should stand firm un-  
der any circumstances. It is point-  
ed out.—*Reuter*.

3rd, Eureka set, H. Dixon; 4th, Xmas  
tree, J. M. Xavier; 5th, game, Mrs.  
E. L. Yen.

6th Drawing—1st prize, doll, Mrs.  
Wood; 2nd, doll, Cant. Wood; 3rd, tea  
set, J. Jeungh; 4th, ping pong set,  
S. Y. Shan; 5th, Eureka set, Y.  
Maloff.

Prizes may be obtained from Mr.  
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**Children of Mary's Stall.**  
Raffle prizes are as follows:  
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42 piece China Tea Set; 2nd, 40, C. H.  
Binto, Canadian rug; 3rd, 272, Hilda  
Chan, doll; 4th, 197, R. Xavier; 5th,  
302, H. L. Xung; 6th, 110, W. C.  
Meadow; 7th, 117, J. R. Walker; 8th,  
386, M. J. Gann; 9th, 357, O. Carvalho;  
10th, 100, M. Xavier; 11th, 142, Flo  
Nunes; 12th, 195, Matilda Tam; 13th,  
128, J. F. Xavier; 14th, 112, O. H.  
Kaluhunt; 15th, 103, M. Mahan  
Singh.

**Raffle of Four Dolls.**  
1st prize, 26, Amelia d'Assumpcao;  
2nd, 21, Dr. B. de Souza; 3rd, 38, P.  
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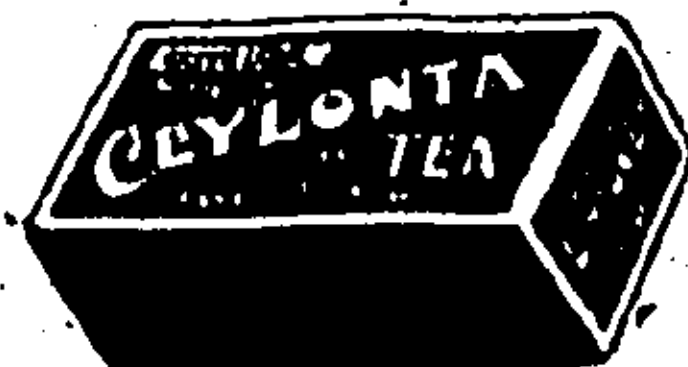
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of the Doorn house of ex-Kaiser  
Wilhelm of Germany.

The man gave his name as  
Feder, and declared he was from  
Dormagen, in Germany. He said  
he had been entrusted with a  
message from the Nazi leader to  
hand to the exiled former Em-  
peror.

It appears that Feder was first  
noticed in the grounds of the  
Doorn mansion on Sunday, and  
requested to interview the Kaiser.  
He was handed over to the Police  
who made enquiries and subse-  
quently released him.

He was next seen lurking in  
the cellars to-day and put up a  
struggle when his presence was  
discovered. When he was over-  
powered it was found he had a  
revolver and large knife in his  
possession, and it was suspected  
that he intended to make an at-  
tempt on the life of the ex-Kaiser.

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over by Sir Shou-son Chow, supported  
by the Chairman, Mr. Tang Shiu-kin,  
and the vice-Chairman, Pao Hui-cho,  
both being prominent figures in local  
Chinese banking circles.

Hundreds of native bankers and  
some eminent guests, including  
Mr. H. K. Kowal, the Hon. Mr. S. W. T'ao, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C. B. E., Mr. Chan Lam-pak, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin  
and others, attended the function.

After Sir Shou-son Chow's speech  
both the Chairman and vice-Chairman  
addressed the meeting, dealing with  
the aims of this important native  
bankers' association. In the evening  
there was a dinner party at the same  
restaurant.

## TRAGIC DEATH

EUROPEAN FOUND SHOT  
IN KOWLOON

Mr. Johan Louis Max Frederiks  
was found dead in the bathroom of  
his home, No. 6 Carnarvon Villa  
at 8.45 a.m. yesterday with  
a bullet wound in his head. Police  
investigating the tragedy have been  
unable to discover a motive for  
what appears to be a case of  
suicide.

Mr. Frederiks, who was head of  
the passenger department of the  
Java-China-Japan steamship line,  
was last seen alive by his room boy,  
when he received his master's  
orders to prepare his bath.

The first intimation that any-  
thing unusual had happened was  
when one of the servants opened the  
bathroom door to discover the  
cause of Mr. Frederiks' absence.

An unusual feature of the case is  
that no one in the building heard  
the shot fired.

Police were immediately notified  
and the first report read as follows:  
"Johan Frederiks, Dutch subject,  
23 years of age, found shot dead  
with his own revolver in bathroom  
of No. 6, Carnarvon Buildings, at  
8.45 a.m. to-day. Believed suicide."

No Motive Shown.

Only the previous night Mr.  
Frederiks had been a cheerful  
member of a dinner party at  
Gloucester Building. The affair is  
therefore a complete mystery.

He left the office at 6.30 o'clock  
in the best of spirits, and a few  
minutes before leaving the building,  
accepted an invitation to tiffin on  
Friday with the manager of the  
J. C. J. L. staff. His movements  
from then appear to have been  
normal. It is also stated that he  
accepted several invitations to  
Christmas parties.

Mr. Frederiks joined the local  
J. C. J. L. staff in February last,  
coming to Hongkong from the  
Shanghai office where he had been  
since January, 1927. Before coming  
to the Far East, he was with a  
shipping company in Amsterdam  
for a year. Before that he was a  
Lieutenant in the Dutch army.

In Shanghai, Mr. Frederiks was  
a member of the Light Gun Battery  
of the Volunteers.

Both his parents are still living  
in Heemstede, Holland, and his  
father was formerly a medical of-  
ficer in the Dutch army. A brother-

## SOVIET AND CHINA

JAPAN WORRIED BY  
RECOGNITION

Nanking, Dec. 13.  
The proposal to resume relations  
with the Soviet was drawn up by  
the Foreign Relations Committee at  
Nanking early this year, but failed  
to pass the Plenary Session of the  
C.E.C., which was held at Loyang.  
Government leaders, including Dr.  
C. T. Wang, former Chinese  
Foreign Minister, who opposed the  
proposal, feared that resumption of  
relations with Soviet Russia would  
intensify the Communist menace  
in China and would render the Com-  
munist suppression campaign ex-  
tremely difficult.

The Government emphasized,  
however, that resumption of diplo-  
matic relations with the Soviet did  
not necessarily mean the toleration  
of Communism and therefore it  
would not hinder the progress of  
the anti-Red campaign.

Recent proposals drawn up by  
Sun Fo and other C.E.C. members  
in Shanghai for submission to the  
Third Plenary Session of the  
C. E. C. also urge the restoration  
of friendly relations between the  
two countries.—*Reuter.*

Japan Anxiety.

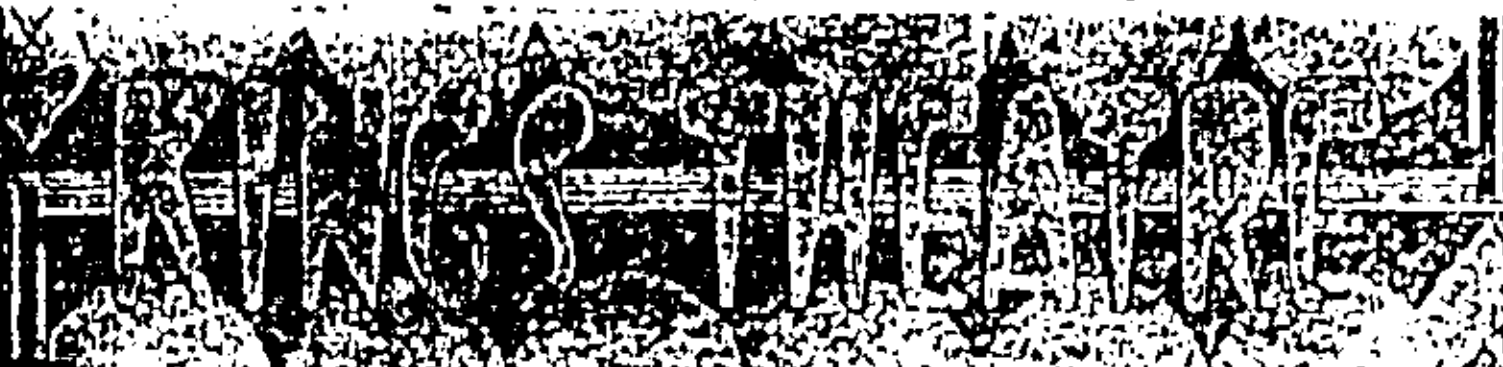
Tokyo, Dec. 13.  
Declaring that the resumption of  
Sino-Soviet relations is most un-  
welcome to Japan, the Government  
spokesman to-day remarked:

"Elements most disturbing to the  
peace of the world have now joined  
hands. Japan stands squarely  
against these forces. The ques-  
tion for the Powers is whether to  
allow the forces of destruction to  
rule in the Orient, or the forces of  
consolidation."

"The restoration of Sino-Soviet  
relations poses this issue squarely,  
and beside it the future of Man-  
churia is comparatively insignifi-  
cant."—*Reuter.*

In-law is manager of the Sabang  
Company, coal merchants of  
Sabang. Mr. Frederiks was neither  
married nor engaged.

The body has been removed to  
the Kowloon Mortuary. The  
funeral will take place at the Pro-  
testant Cemetery to-day, and will  
probably pass the Monument at  
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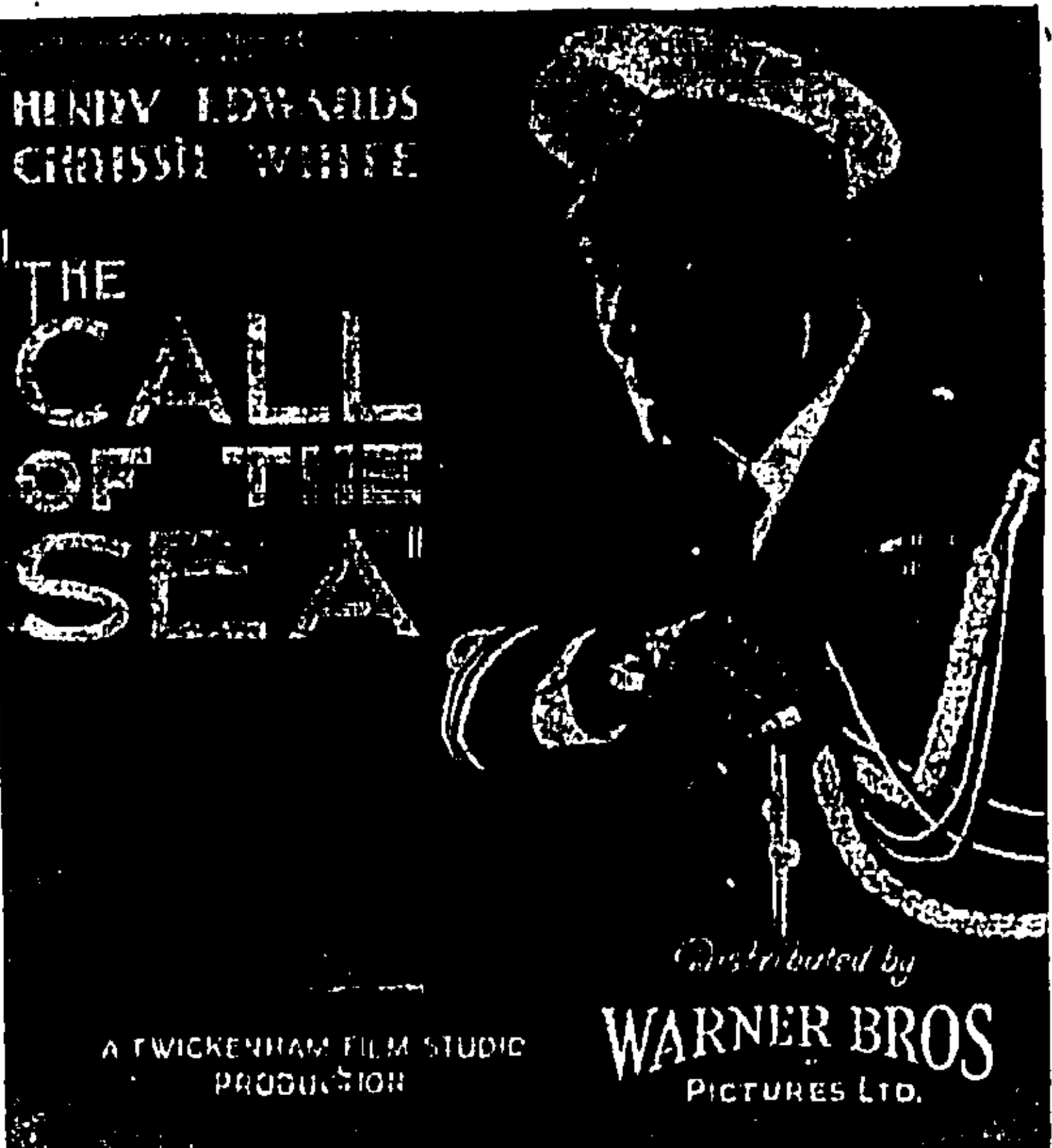
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## FRENCH CHAMBER VOTES WAR DEBT DEFAULT

M. Herriot Overwhelmingly Defeated: Cabinet to Resign

### MOB RIOTS IN SHANGHAI POLICE TURN HOSES ON CROWD NORTH STATION SCENES PROTEST JOURNEY

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Shanghai, Dec. 14.

Two open conflicts between police and an angry mob occurred at the North Station last evening.

The crowd, consisting of over 800 Pengu people, mostly women and children, were demanding a free ride to Nanking in order to voice their grievances before the third plenary session of the Kuomintang.

The police endeavoured to prevent the crowd from passing into the station and two serious clashes occurred.

The spirit of the intruders was finally only quelled when the police turned on streams of water from hoses, which had an immediate effect in the bitterly cold weather.

TEN HOURS' SIEGE.

Although beaten in this matter, however, the crowd continued to besiege the North Station and remained, refusing to leave for more than ten hours.

In the end, as the result of discussion between the Chief of Police and leaders of the Pengu people thirty representatives of the crowd left for the capital at ten o'clock last night, after buying tickets for the journey, and they were accompanied by ten others who were accorded free tickets through the mediation of Mr. Wen Goo-nan, the Chief of the Bureau of Public Safety.

**STATION SCHEME PROTEST.**  
The complaint of the Pengu people concerns the inclusion of their homesteads in the new scheme for the reconstruction of the North Station recently announced by the Ministry of Railways.—*Reuter.*

### DAILY WORKER EDITOR SENTENCED

Libel of the Yorkshire Constabulary

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London, Dec. 14.

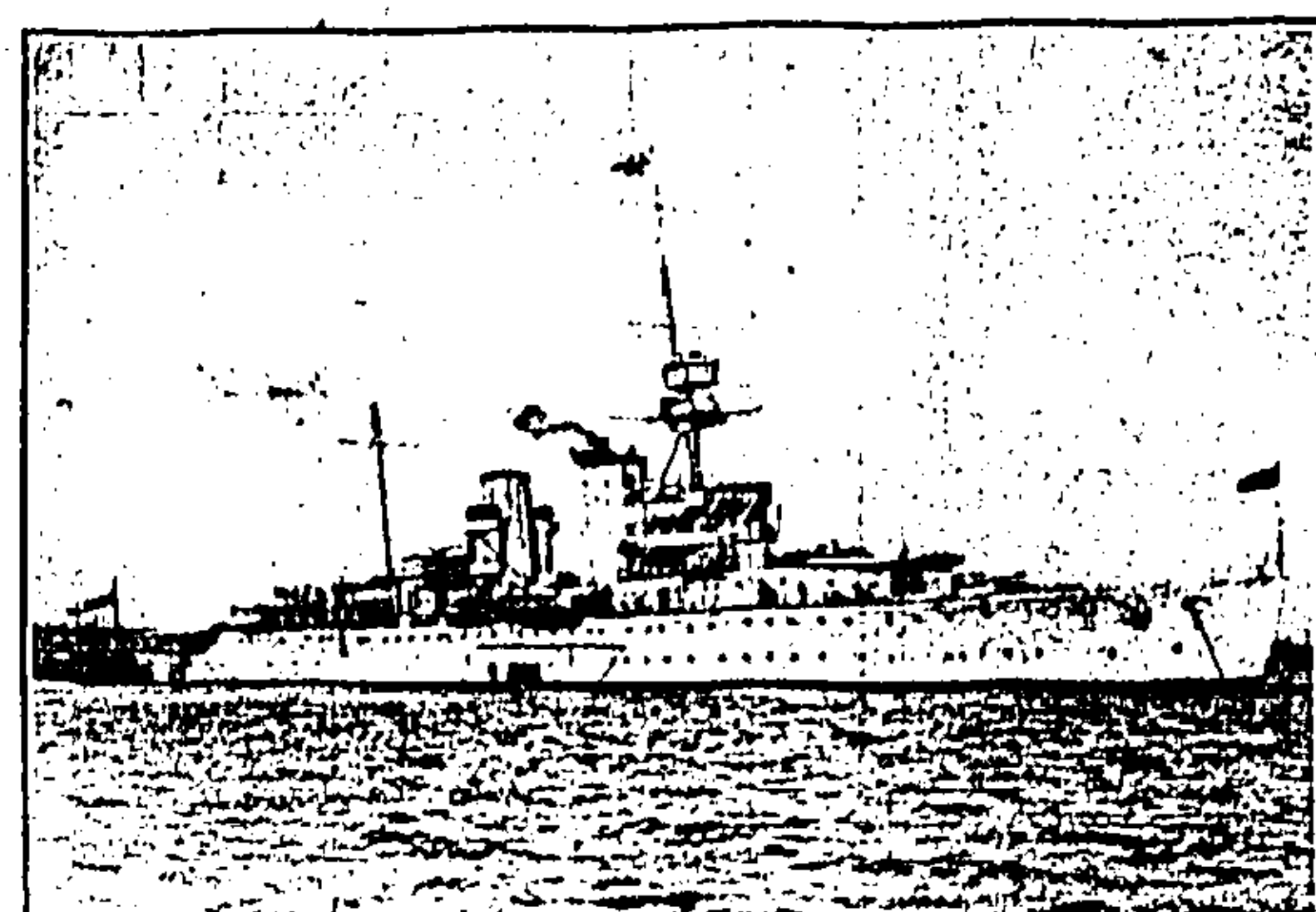
Clarence Ernest Manson, the editor of the Communist newspaper, the *Daily Worker*, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the second division, on a charge of publishing a criminal defamatory libel regarding the Yorkshire Constabulary.

### PREMIER AND DUKE OF YORK BOTH SUFFERING FROM COLDS

London, Dec. 13.

The Prime Minister, who caught cold while on the Continent, remained indoors to-day. His doctors, who paid their regular periodical visit this morning, found that otherwise his health was good. He presided over this morning's Cabinet meeting and hopes to attend the House of Commons to-morrow for the debate on war debts.

The Duke of York is suffering from cold, and is confined to his room, by doctor's orders.—*British Wireless.*



H.M.S. Effingham, flagship of the British East Indies squadron, which is holding itself in readiness for any developments in the Anglo-Persian oil dispute.

### GERMAN COMMUNIST SENSATION

REVOLUTIONARY PLOT DISCLOSED.

Munich, Dec. 14.

The arrest of thirty-one Communists in South Bavaria, members of an armed illegal organisation, is alleged to have disclosed a widespread plot to arm Bavarian Communists for a revolution which it was planned to carry through the whole of Germany.—*Reuter.*

### CORK BEER TRAGEDY

CASKS SPILLED  
INTO GUTTERS

ARMED MEN HOLD  
UP STORE

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Dec. 14.

Barrels of British ales to the value of over a hundred and fifty pounds sterling were spilled into the gutters of a Cork street yesterday.

A band of armed raiders, suspected to be members of the bitterly anti-British Irish Republican Army, rushed into a brewer's store and held up the employees at the point of a revolver, forcing them into the stables at the rear of the premises where they were locked in.

The leader of the gang then posted his men at points of vantage in the street to prevent interference, while others of his associates rolled the numerous casks of British beer into the roadway and there smashed them up.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains centred to the north of the Yangtze Valley and the depression to the north-east of Iceland. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the coast and fresh to strong monsoon over the China Sea. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, fresh; fine.

### PERSIA DEFIANT

REPLY TO BRITISH  
NOTE

REFUSE CHANGE  
OF DECISION

Teheran, Dec. 14.

Persia has declined to accede to the peremptory British request for the withdrawal of the cancellation of the Anglo-Persian Oil Company's concession.

The Persian Government does not consider that the Hague Court is competent to deal with or examine the Anglo-Persian oil dispute or that the Optional Clause is applicable to the present case, declares the Persian Government's Reply to the British Government's Note.

Persia takes up an air of innocence, declaring that the Persian Government is entitled to draw the attention of the League of Nations to the threats of pressure made against them by the British Government, whose action is incompatible with a spirit of uprightness and a desire for peace.

CRUISERS READY.

The Note disclaims any responsibility for losses which may be suffered by the Company.

Messages from Karachi hint that British cruisers there are being held in readiness for emergency and that Christmas leaves have been cancelled.

A Moscow message denies the insinuation in certain papers that the Soviet Government is behind the Persian Government's action.—*Reuter.*

### BRITISH STOCKS FIRMER

APPRECIABLE RISE  
REPORTED

London, Dec. 13.

When the Stock Exchange closed to-day the leading feature was the firm basis of British funds, which generally rose 1/4 to 3/4, with War Loan 3 1/2 per cent. at 98 1/2.—*British Wireless.*

### SHIPPING PACT PROPOSED

WORLD DRIFTING INTO IMPOSSIBLE  
SITUATION

(Our Own Correspondent).

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London, Dec. 14.

The impossible position into which the world's shipping industry is rapidly drifting, was the text of an address to the Royal Empire Society by Lord Essendon last night.

Lord Essendon is the well-known shipping magnate and he pleaded for an international agreement to regulate the supply of tonnage to the demand by ship-owners laying up a percentage of their tonnage for a certain period.

At the present moment, hosts of ships were laid up and many others were running more than half-empty in wasteful competition.

### MOMENTOUS 5 A.M. DECISION

DRAMATIC LAST-MINUTE  
APPEAL FAILS

PARIS, DEC. 11.

THE HERRIOT GOVERNMENT HAS BEEN DEFEATED AFTER A WAR DEBTS DEBATE LASTING TWO DAYS, WHICH TERMINATED AT FIVE O'CLOCK THIS MORNING. M. HERRIOT HAS DECIDED TO RESIGN.

M. Herriot's proposal to pay the December war debt instalment to the United States, notification of which had already been sent to Washington, with certain reservations, was overwhelmingly defeated by 402 votes to 187.

The fate of the Government was practically sealed at midnight when the Socialists indicated that they could not depart from their decision to vote in favour of default.

M. Herriot, in a dramatic last minute appeal, declared that the Chamber, for the sake of 418 million francs, was about to break the Anglo-French brotherhood.

The fall of the Herriot Government was known to be imminent when earlier the Finance and Foreign Committees of the Chamber of Deputies decided to reject a resolution for payment of the December debt instalment by twenty-four votes to nine. The Committees decided against payment under any conditions.

The Chamber's overwhelming vote in favour of France's default on the debt payment must mean that the Herriot Government to defy the vote of the Chamber.—*Reuter.*

BELGIUM REFUSES TO PAY.

Brussels, Dec. 13.

Following America's Reply to the latest Belgian Note, elaborating the explanations in the first Note requesting a suspension of the war debt instalment due on December, the Belgian Government has decided to refuse to make the payment to the United States.

### MR. CHURCHILL'S REQUEST REFUSED

LONDON, DEC. 13.

AS INDICATED BY THE CHANCELLOR AT BIRMINGHAM, BRITAIN HAS TEMPORARILY WITHDRAWN THE "CAPITAL PAYMENT" STIPULATION ATTACHED TO THE PAYMENT OF THE DECEMBER WAR DEBT TO THE UNITED STATES.

A statement regarding war debt payments and their relation to the Lausanne Agreement was made in the House of Commons to-day by the Chancellor of Exchequer.

Mr. Chamberlain was asked by Mr. Winston Churchill for an assurance that the Government would in no circumstances consent to present to a permanent arbitration by France and Italy in favour of their war debt payments to the United States, as against their payments of similar debts due to Britain, and whether he would demand equality and simultaneously of treatment for Britain from these two countries in order to prevent all payments by all countries to the United States on December 15th being made at the sole expense of Great Britain.

NO COMMITMENTS.

Replying, Mr. Chamberlain said the letter which he addressed to the French Finance Minister at Lausanne in July, 1933, stated that the United Kingdom Government would have been glad if it had been possible to cancel the French

war debt as part of all-round cancellation, but, in the actual circumstances, they could not enter into any definite commitments modifying the existing war debt funding agreement.

They agreed, however, that the annuities due under the agreement should be suspended until the coming into force of the Lausanne Agreement, or until it had been decided not to ratify it.

NO DECISION AT PRESENT.

In the meantime, the British Government considered it of the utmost importance that no decision should be taken at present to the effect that the Lausanne Agreement could not be ratified. Consequently assuming that this view was concurred in by the other Governments concerned, the suspension of reparations and war debts would remain in force, but all rights of the British Government under the existing agreements would be integrally reserved.

(Continued on Page 7.)

### SHANGHAI SHIP'S FATE

TAKEN BY PIRATES  
FROM SMALL BOAT

NEAR WOOSUNG

ENGINESS WRECKED  
TO STOP SHIP

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Shanghai, Dec. 14.

An extraordinary story of piracy, carried out somewhat on the lines of the old-time buccaneers, has just been received.

It is the first case of piracy in the vicinity of Shanghai for several months. It occurred on Monday night outside Woosung and a remarkable feature lies in the fact that the pirates did not board the steamer as passengers in the usual manner of the China Coast, but boarded the vessel at sea from a small boat.

The steamer concerned was the *ss. Hungta*, belonging to the Tai-tung Steamship Company, and according to a telegram received at the offices of the Company in Shanghai last night, the pirates attacked the steamer, successfully boarded her and overpowered the officers.

HERDED TOGETHER.

Command of the ship was secured within a few minutes of the boarding. The officers and crew, together with some three hundred passengers, were herded together in one part of the vessel, while the cargo and luggage was systematically looted.

Before proceeding with their work of piracy, the gang damaged the engines considerably in order to bring the vessel to a full stop.

Then, while the craft drifted with the current, they proceeded to rob their victims and loot the cargo, which was very full.

SHIP ABANDONED.

When their loot had been loaded into small boats which came alongside the captured ship, the anchor was dropped and the *Hungta* was abandoned.

The pirates escaped to the south, proceeding towards Gut-laff Island in the Yangtze mouth, some forty miles from Woosung.—*Reuter.*

### AMY STILL GOING STRONG

OVER HALF JOURNEY  
COMPLETED

Gao, Dec. 14.

Mrs. Mollison (Amy Johnson) to-day completed her flight of over a thousand miles from Duala to Gao, landing safely and in good spirits at 5:15 p.m. yesterday evening.

She plans to take-off again at 3 a.m. (11 a.m. Hongkong time) to-day and will probably attempt to fly direct to Oron, on the northern coast, a distance of some 1,300 miles.

With her arrival at Gao, Amy completed over two-thirds of her African journey and half the long trip from Capetown to England. If all goes well, she should be back in England to-morrow evening.—*Reuter.*

Amy called from Duala to her husband stating:—"Unlucky again, cannot arrive Wednesday." Fog delayed her, but she left later for Gao.—*British Wireless.*



Mr. J. M. Bailey and Miss Diana Churchill, who were married in London yesterday. Mr. Bailey is the eldest son of Sir Abe Bailey, of South Africa, and Miss Churchill is the eldest daughter of Mr. Winston Churchill.

### WAR DEBTS RIOT IN PARIS

DEMONSTRATION NEAR  
CHAMBER

ANTI-U.S. SCENE

Paris, Dec. 14.

Serious rioting developed from a big War Debts demonstration outside the Chamber of Deputies last night.

Three of the demonstrators were seriously injured and were detained in hospital. About a thousand were rounded up by the police and taken into custody.

While the Deputies were inside the Chamber, debating whether or not France should make the December payment to the United States, a huge crowd gathered outside the building, shouting:

"NOT A CENT FOR AMERICA"

A large force of police were rushed to the scene and they threw out a cordon. The crowd, which consisted largely of Royalists, endeavoured to force the cordon, upon which a free fight occurred and the crowd went temporarily wild.

TRAMCAR WRECKED.

The demonstrators tore up two trees and put a tramcar out of action before the police succeeded in quelling the disturbances.

All the prisoners were detained at the police station for an hour or two and then allowed to go.

Paris, later.  
A further 250 temporary arrests were made, including several prominent personalities. Amongst these was M. Pujol, chief editor of *Action Francaise*, who, however, was immediately released.—*Reuter.*

### DOLLAR DROPS A FARTHING

MARKET ON EASY  
SIDE

The Hongkong dollar declined a farthing this morning. The local market has an easy undertone, and very little business is passing.

In London, silver dropped 3/16ths. America sold and China bought and sold, the market being quiet. After the official fixing, the market ruled a dull, America being inclined to sell. New York reports silver down a quarter to 82 7/8, with the market easy.



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**FASHION NOTES.**

**Exquisite Evening  
Gowns.**

There are any number of youthful looking suits and dresses this year, stressing the well known and just the thing for Miss Slim, Miss Slight, and Miss Slender. The day gowns are short, and very narrow, devoid of any irregularity of hemline, all of them with "well-mannered" skirts.

Also seen are some very prim-looking, very feminine *trotteurs*, most of them in checked or small-striped materials. The coats worn with such suits in most cases are suitably abbreviated to be mistaken for boleros.

Many coats are collarless, with scarves which are the only note of colour, such scarves being used to look like collars, belts, or ties. Exquisite are the mouseline-de-soie evening gowns, and the chiffon-velvet evening gowns are also exceedingly smart. They deserve to be called "Poems" if only poems in chiffon and velvet. They consist of colour-harmonies, long and flowing panels, and draperies of classic proportions.

Skirts are different in shade from the colouring used for the bodice. By the way, a new note is the long elbow gloves in coloured suede to match the gown, or to form a contrast, often a daring touch of colour.

Many of the new skirts are draped towards the centre of the back. Some are longer in front. All pleated skirts show straight pleating with new styles in pleats. No skirt is cut on the cross, or very few. Nothing flares throughout the collections.



**WHY ARE WOMEN  
SUPERSTITIOUS?**

It is perhaps significant that Sir Walter Scott, on those rare occasions when his romances dipped into the supernatural, almost chose women as the necessary characters. Women seem to have always been more subject to premonitions, secret signs, spiritual visitations, ill omens, and the rest of the expressions of superstition than has been the case with members of the stronger sex.

History, literature, and modern fiction, they all are generously supplied with feminine superstition-supporters, and the number would probably be very large if compared to that of masculine superstition-supporters. In the past, of course, superstition took more desperate forms and was much more common than it is to-day. Edinburgh—and the rest of Scotland—at one time made an everyday practice of drowning and burning witches. Men, even in the early days, had generally a strong dislike for superstition. It was those women who were eternally stirring up trouble with their fantastic ideas!

But, although most women nowadays talk jokingly about the exploits of their early superstition-obsessed sisters, are they really, even advanced as they undoubtedly are, completely rid of strange beliefs?

There are many "modern" women who are astoundingly superstitious, but very few men. In fact, every second woman one meets—I refer exclusively to the older generation—does not see anything senseless in believing that because two knives happen to cross at dinner a serious quarrel will inevitably follow.

I have seen middle-aged women become extremely excited and annoyed—and not in the least

**IDEAS FOR YOUR  
NOTEBOOK.**

Coffee Stains.—To remove coffee stains from delicate materials, brush with pure glycerine. Rinse in lukewarm water, and press on the wrong side.

Home-Made Bleacher.—Crushed eggshell added to odd bits of soap makes an excellent bleacher. Keep a small muslin bag handy, and pop into it all odd bits of soap and eggshells. Tie up the bag on washing day and drop it into your copper with your white linen. Biscuits Will Keep.—A crust of bread placed in the tin with the biscuits absorbs moisture, and the biscuits keep crisp longer.

humorously, mark you—for no other reason than because some clumsy specimen of a man was thoughtless enough to put his umbrella up inside their house! There is a whole encyclopedia of these "bad signs," and every woman over forty seems to have them at her finger-tips. Someone accidentally drops a walking-stick. "Bad luck," says Mrs. A. Someone else (again accidentally) lets a spoon fall to the floor. "A visitor," observes Mrs. B. And so the farce—for so it appears to my ordinary commonsense-controlled mind—goes on!

And this is the question I would like to ask those bad-omen women. Do they really believe in what they say or do they not make these remarks "for something to say"? I should like to believe that the latter suggestion is the true one, but, when I recall the serious faces of some people I personally have offended, I fail to see how I can.

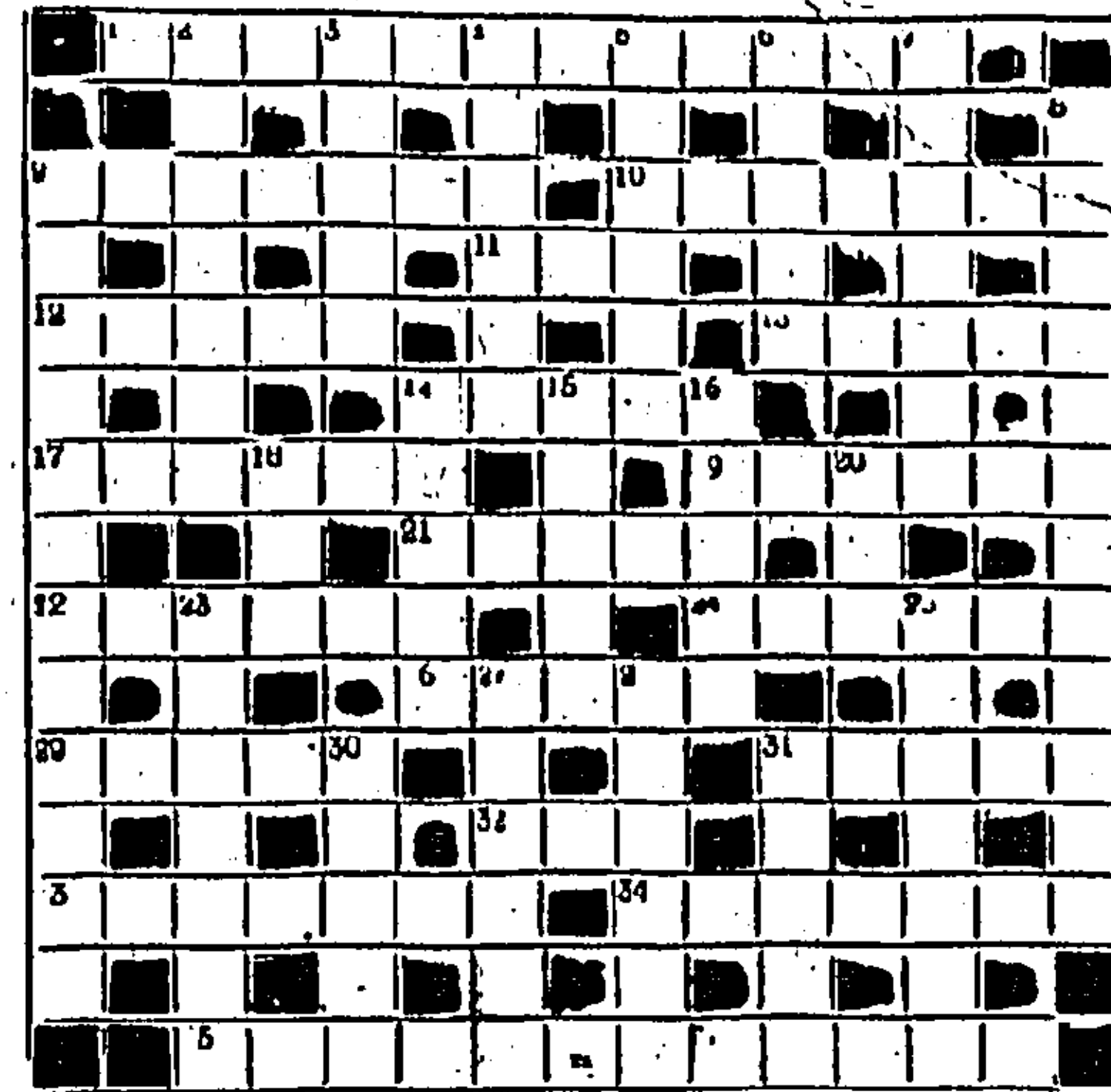
We men do not know why women are so superstitious. Will they condescend to tell us the reason?—W. STRACHAN-NISBET in Exchange.

## THE WORLD OF WOMEN



Black gowns that are different were worn by stage stars at the fashion show for the benefit of the Actors' Dinner Fund in New York. (Left) Ermine sleeves made original pulls, with the ermine tails flying like streamers, on a sheath-like gown of black velvet, worn by Selena Royal. (Right) Draped arm-oles, sparkling buttons, and a slashed skirt were outstanding features of a gorgeously crinkled black crepe gown worn by Helen Broderick.

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- 1 Supply food to the supporters.
- 2 They're very voracious.
- 3 Game, when young.
- 10 Mem. See Ann at about two to colour the batter.
- 11 Movement appreciated by the actor.
- 12 This goat charges—but it has them without the goat.
- 13 Win in this even if you lose in the roundabouts.
- 14 Game in the interior of a West African island.
- 17 Opposed to an Irish ending.
- 19 The skaters' figure is of importance.
- 21 Part of an engine.
- 22 Turn it upside down.
- 24 Ends in bed, though only tossed gently.
- 26 The girl with the heart.
- 29 There's no sense in this—at all, it's a clue.
- 31 Masculine name.
- 32 An upronious fragment.
- 33 Not well in this case—it's a seamstress's job.
- 34 Endanger.
- 36 The art of the G.O.C.

Down

- 2 Go on. The means of doing so is here.
- 3 "I'm glad I was up so late; for that's the reason I was up so late." ("Cymbeline").
- 4 Classical country.
- 5 Make a loun in West Africa: there's some go in the place.
- 6 Relative.
- 7 Not so easy as lying.
- 8 Give an "adult lion gin" and see it extending lengthwise: very

funny (anag.).

- 9 Lancashire Lads, or Henry IV.—or V., or VI.
- 14 And yet they say that this reception is attended by men only.
- 15 Uncouth sort of name for a rough sort of valley.
- 16 A slow upheaval, but it is a comfort to think that it will end well.
- 18 With nothing above or below it could address great multitudes.
- 20 Crime briefly indicated.
- 23 Fruit is in and it rains outside.
- 25 Undarned and scarcely rich, it is fitting wear for the warrior.
- 27 Upset 18 and get under; it may be hit.
- 28 Moving little by little.
- 30 One who has a shot.
- 31 Put in the head.

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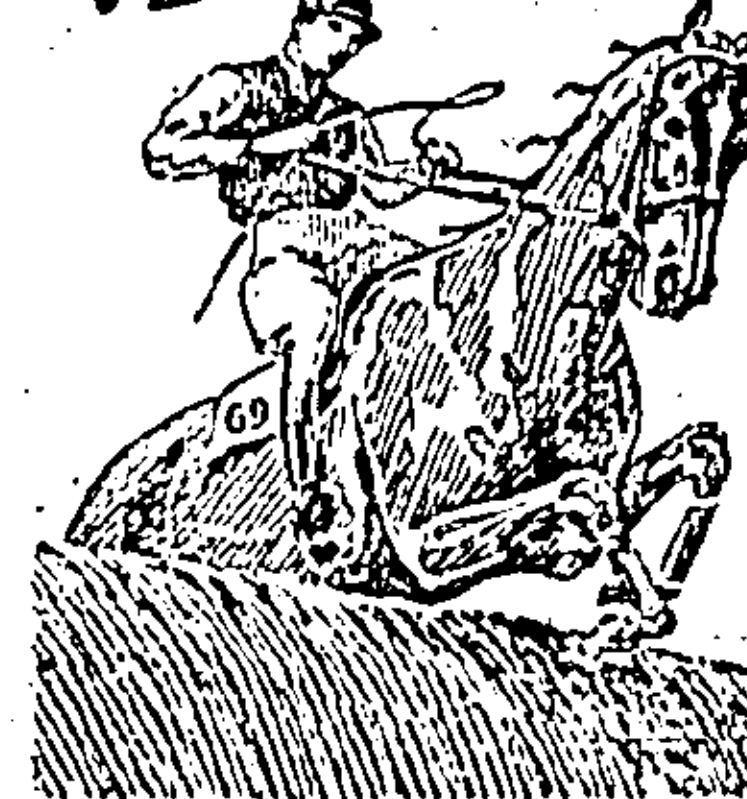
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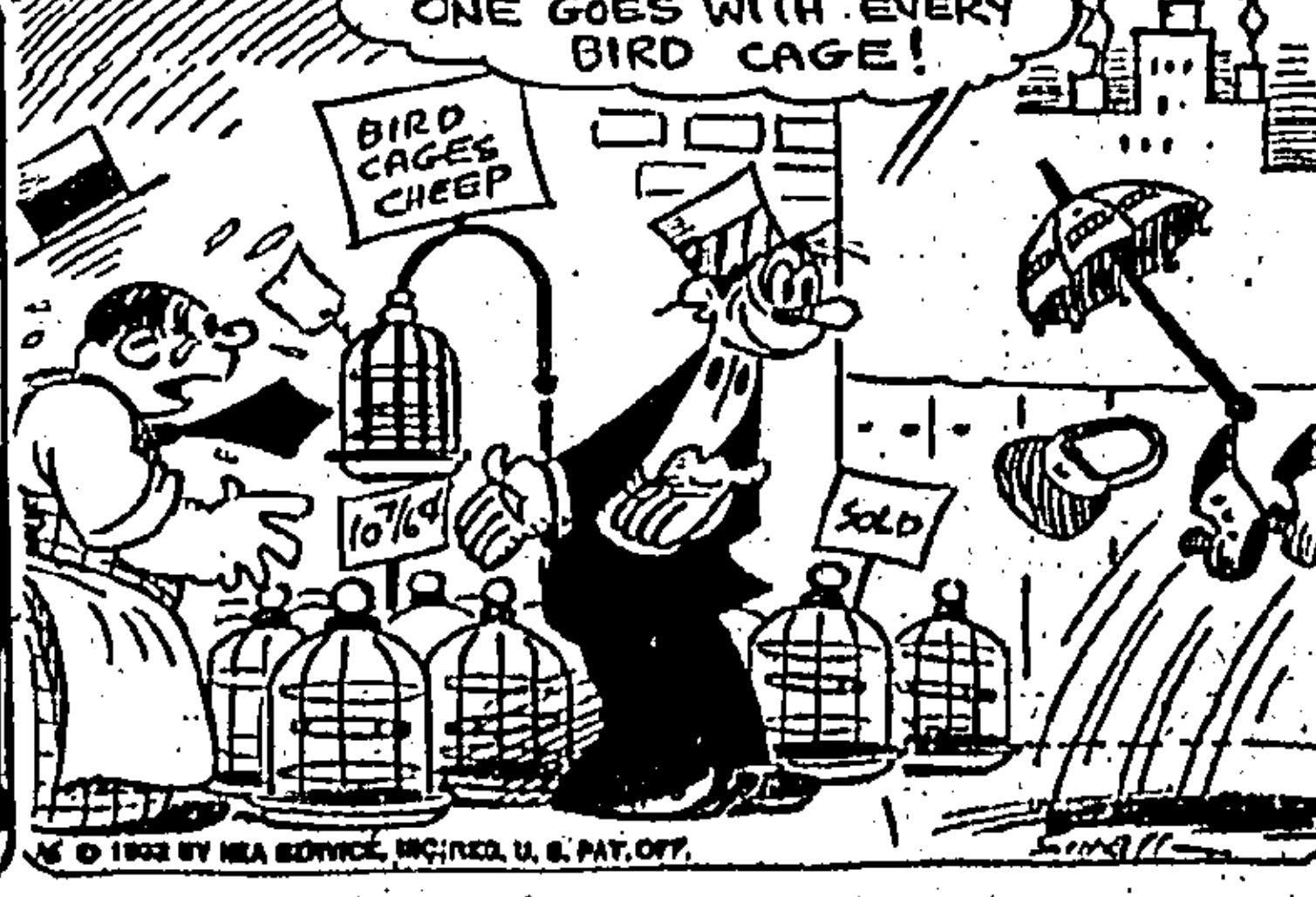
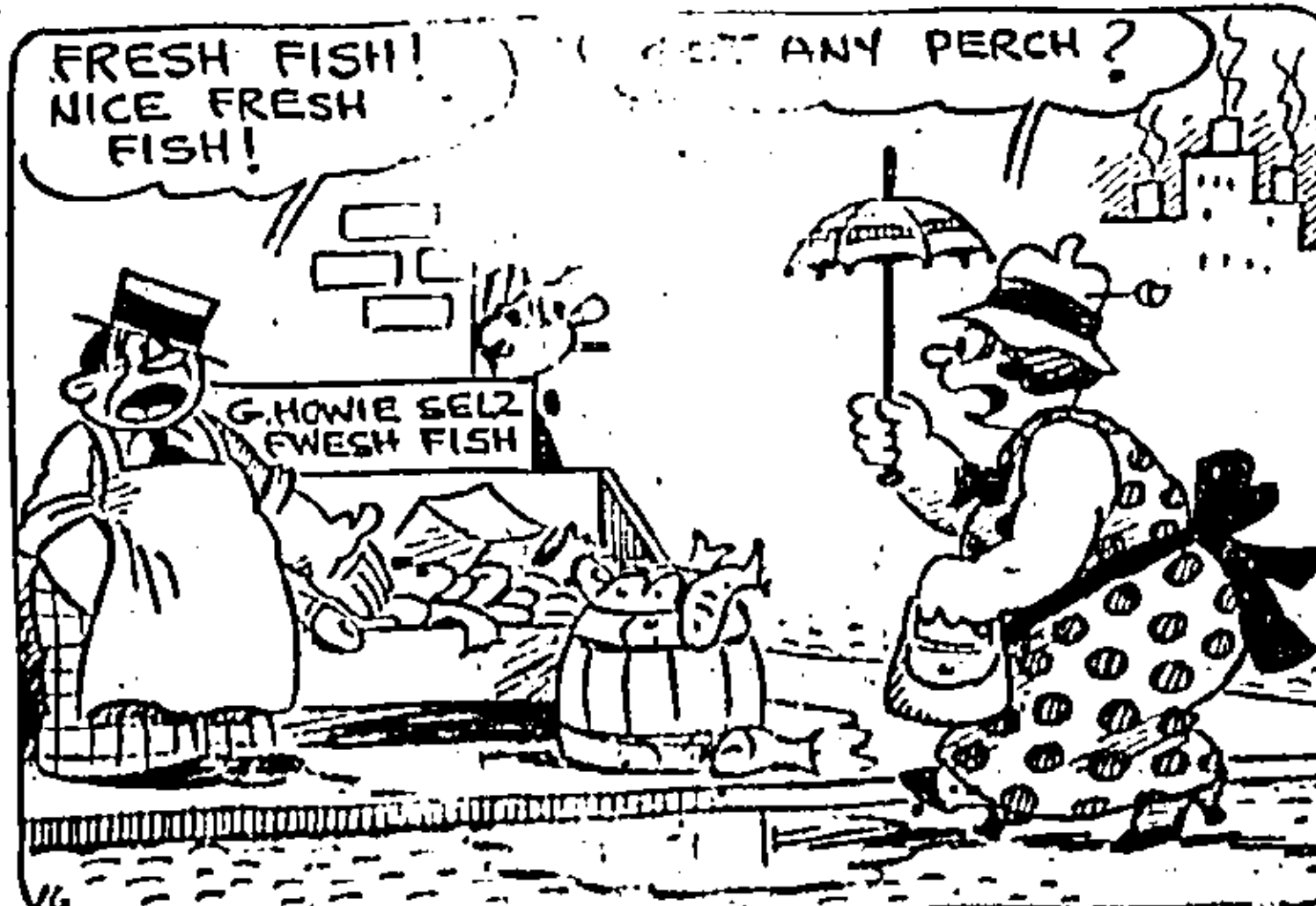
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# CALL of the WEST

BY R. G. MONTGOMERY

## CHAPTER XLVII

Contrary to the expectations of the doctor and to all rules of convalescence, Donna did not suffer a setback. Asper brought her news from the room down the hall, news that he made encouraging and bright. He was sitting on the foot of her bed smiling at her in his rough way when Donna suddenly remembered something.

"Where is Dad? I haven't seen him since yesterday afternoon."

Asper's wide smile faded and he tried to give her an answer that was casual. "Oh, he's around here."

Donna knew instantly that something was wrong. Her father could not cover anything up while he was looking straight into her face—Donna knew him too well.

"Something has happened to Dad," she said simply. "Better tell me all about it, Dad. I won't make any fuss."

Asper looked at his daughter for a moment while he cast about for a way to tell her. Finally, he plunged in, but immediately hedged. "He took your car and went to the city."

Donna's soft lips curved into a sudden smile that bewildered the troubled Asper. She was actually smiling.

"When did he go?" she asked. Asper grunted with distinct disapproval. Donna was a puzzle to him in a great many ways. Here she was sitting up in bed looking almost happy, in fact radiant, while he told her that her husband had gone.

"He'll come back," Donna gazed dreamily out of the window as she spoke. She was not thinking about Dudley Winters except to be thankful that he had made the way out very easy. "He's chasing some crazy clue," she added.

"He may not come back at all. He left pretty permanently," Asper finished lamely.

Donna replied with a little laugh. She reached out and took her father's hand. With a squeeze, she pulled him around until she could look into his eyes. Asper gave her his attention with sudden interest.

"I hope it is permanent," she whispered. Asper snorted but not with complete conviction.

"Because he is not your son-in-law," Donna's cheeks coloured beautifully, her eyes shone.

Asper gazed at her without speaking. His mind was flashing back over the happenings of the past few weeks and he was checking up many little incidents. Finally he smiled and patted her hand. He was too relieved to be angry.

"How and why did you do it?" he asked.

"It was Dad's idea. He got the certificate signed up and we were to use it to get you back to the city."

Donna was serious now. Asper's eyes dimmed a little as he watched her small hands working patterns on the quilting of the comforter. She would have gone through with it for his sake.

"You would have married Winters to save your old dad?" He asked the question, knowing the answer.

Donna squeezed his hand. Asper got to his feet with a weak attempt at a grunt. "I better get in and see about that crazy buckaroo," he said gruffly as he strode to the door.

"Take good care of him," Donna called after him.

Asper's answer was swallowed up by the slamming of the door. She sat and looked out of the window. Plans piled themselves up in her mind, the most compelling one being to get up and go to Stan's side.

The doctor came in and found her curled up with her chin propped in the palms of her hands and her lips parted in a dreamy smile. He stood looking down on her in surprise.

"You will not need any attention from me," he greeted her. "You

are the most alive of any patient I ever had."

"I'm getting up pretty soon," Donna announced. "I'm going to help with your new patient."

"The doctor looked keenly at her. 'You cannot help with him. You will do more good by acting just as I tell you.'"

"To-morrow I will?" Donna made a question of it.

"We'll see," the doctor was suddenly all professional dignity. "With you and your father both around under foot I could do nothing for him and he is a very sick man."

Donna accepted the ruling with reservations, but she did accept it. She had learned to have a great deal of respect for the tall medical man who served as company doctor.

She spent an impatient morning waiting for news from the room down the hall. Asper came in twice but his assurances that Stan was getting on well did not ease Donna's longing to go to him.

That afternoon Asper carried Donna out on the porch and fixed her in a mass of pillows where she could look out over the valley. He sat down beside her and gazed reflectively out over his timber holdings.

"Tell me what really happened to you while you were riding?" Donna finally asked.

"I rode down into Pass Creek," Asper began.

"And found just what I found," Donna cut in. "I tried to tell you but you would never let me."

Asper nodded. "I was a bit listless."

"And then what?"

"I caught Swergin on the trail and disarmed him. I intended to bring him in but one of his men came up behind me and I was covered. Swergin took me to a cabin and tied me up. Asper's eyes grew dark as he remembered.

"He threatened you?" Donna asked breathlessly.

"He told me his whole scheme of robbery, then went out and set fire to the cabin," Asper tossed his head away.

"The coward!" Donna gasped. "But he came in and saved me. I sat him down here to head him off and I stayed to fight."

Asper stopped as though out to add something.

"Did Stan tell you why he came back?" Donna asked.

Her question was answered by a piece from the steps. Donna and Asper turned to see a dusty cowboy

boy standing grinning at them; it was Malloy. "I went after him," Malloy stated briefly.

"You did?" Asper showed his surprise.

"You know Stan Ball was not what we thought?" Donna asked slowly.

"Knew it from the start but he would never let me say a word or butt in," Malloy sat down on the top step. He was hot and tired, but he was eager for news about Stan. "Is the kid all right?" he asked.

"You can see him to-morrow," Asper promised.

"Did that rat, Swergin, get in a shot?" Malloy was plainly surprised.

It was Donna who answered. "I did it. I thought he was getting away with another killing and I shot him."

Malloy looked at her unbelievably for a full minute, then his grin spread widely. "You fan a mean gun," he said and started to get up.

"Don't run off. I want to ask you a lot of questions," Donna said smilingly.

Malloy grinned and dropped back on the porch step.

Asper got up. "I better see about my patient." With a wink at Malloy, he strode inside.

"I want you to tell me all about Stan Ball," Donna said simply.

Malloy dodged a reply.

"How about this feller, Winters?" Malloy asked bluntly.

"We were not married. We tried to fool father and make him leave this country with us," Donna spoke frankly, too.

"That's why he felt free to skip out with that little senorita from over the ridge," Malloy spoke deliberately. "I figured he was about half all right."

Donna started, then got a grip on herself. Malloy had said more than he might have, had he known that she only knew half of the story. "That accounts for all his riding," she said with a smile that hinted she had known all the time.

Malloy nodded and got up again. "I'll be back if you want me," he said as he clanked down the steps. (To be concluded.)

## CLINICAL EVENING.

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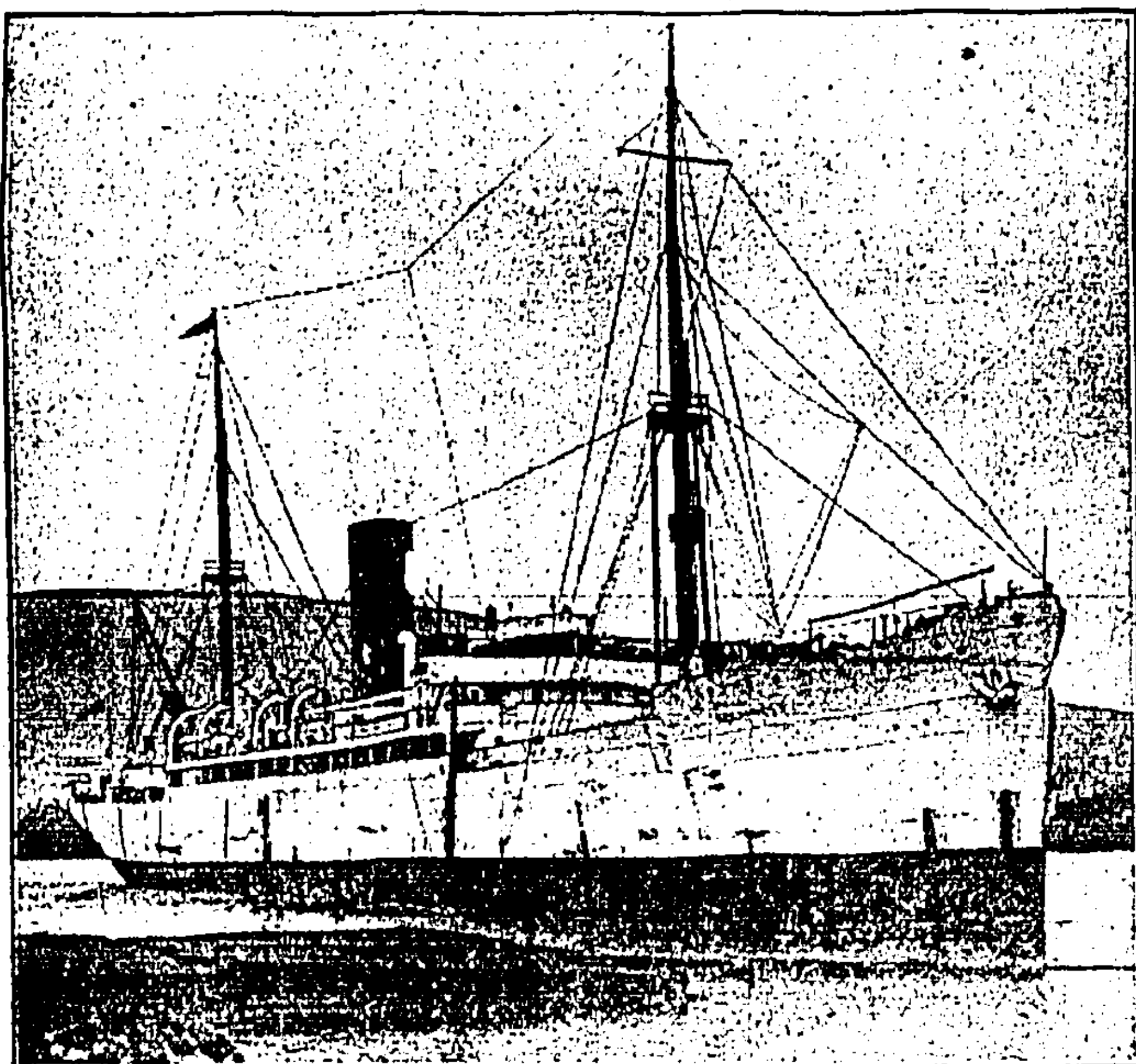
The Hongkong Chinese Medical Association has arranged to hold a clinical evening to-morrow at the Yung Wo Nursing Hospital, through the courtesy of the institution's managing director. The occasion will be an open meeting, according to Dr. K. Y. Lai, the Secretary of the Association, and all members and other medical practitioners are invited to bring along some of their cases for demonstration.



LINDA pushed the door open. She tried to scream—could not! What did she see? You'll find the answer in the thrilling serial, "Week-End Murder."

STARTING ON FRIDAY.

The meeting will commence at 8.45 p.m., and tea will be served. It is understood that Professor W. I. Gernard, Dr. Arthur Woo, Dr. S. F. Li and several other doctors have promised to bring interesting cases for demonstration. If this meeting turns out successful, similar functions will be arranged by the Association in future.



FROM RAIDER TO TRAMP STEAMER. The famous German raider, the Moeva, photographed in dock at Port Talbot. She is now the tramp steamer Greenbrier, and it will be remembered that she captured the Elder Dempster liner Appam during the War and subsequent peace time meetings of these two vessels have occurred.



OPENING OF THE CRAVEN HUNT SEASON. The Craven Hunt opened their season when they met at Membury House, near Lambton, Berkshire. Our picture shows the hunt before the hounds moved off to draw.



Wal Harrington, the leader of the unemployed marchers on London, whose arrest led to the arrest of Sidney John Ellis, sentenced on Monday to two years' hard labour.



WIDENING A COAST ROAD OFF TORQUAY: A sharp corner on the Torbay road, Torquay, Devonshire, is being rounded off by carrying the roadway over the beach as shown in our photograph. The improvement was much needed as the roadway at the corner was narrow.



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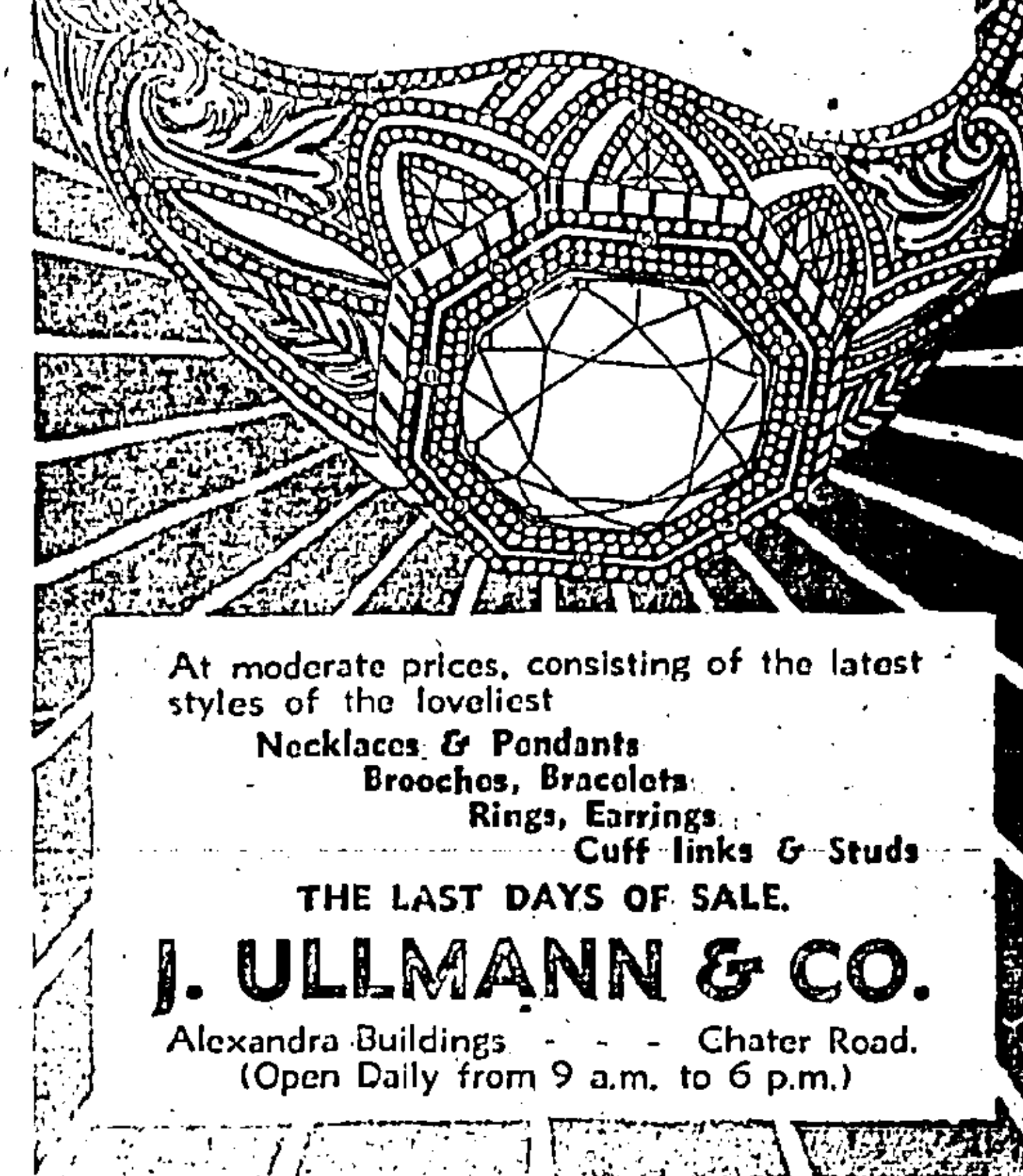
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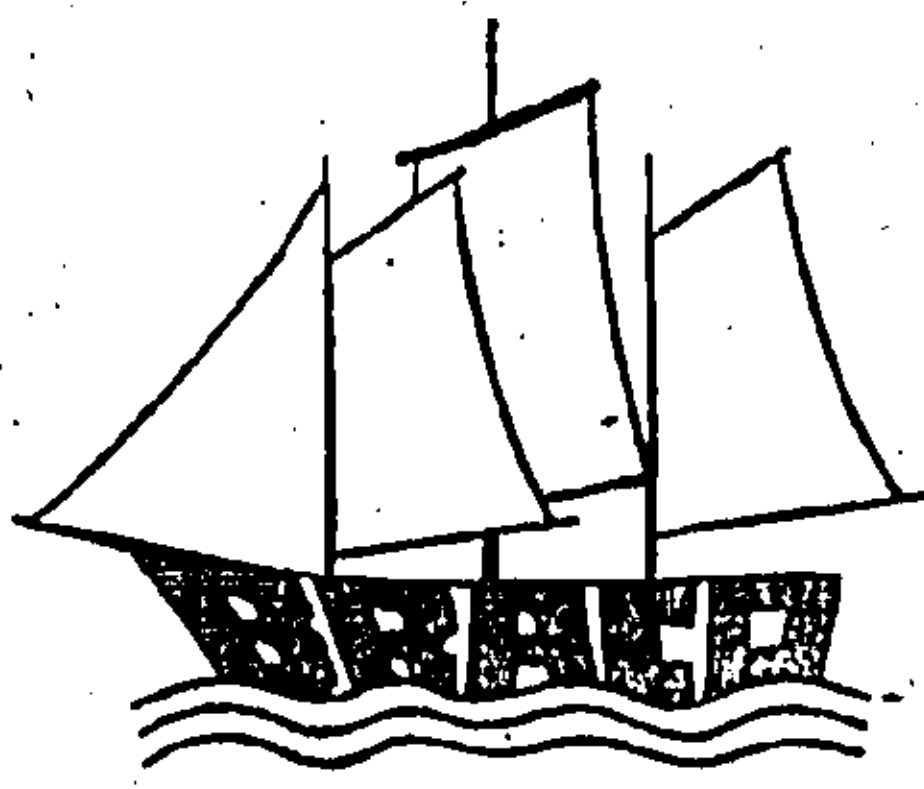
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### WEAKER STATE OF MARKET

According to Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz, the Wall Street Journal's report on yesterday's market states:—The New York market declined in sympathy with lower commodity prices. American commodity markets were weaker as a result of lower commodity prices abroad.

Business done:—730,000 shares.

Dow Jones

Averages Dec. 12. Dec. 13

30 Industrials ... 61.48 60.36

30 Rails ... 27.68 27.47

20 Utilities ... 27.93 27.70

40 Bonds ... 77.57 77.46

Dec. 12. Dec. 13.

Allied Chemical & Dye ... 80% 70%

American Can ... 54 53%

American Smelting ... 13% 13%

American Tel. & Tel. ... 107 105%

American Tobacco ... 50 50%

Anaconda Copper ... 8 7%

Auburn ... 46 46%

Bethlehem Steel ... 16 16%

Borden Company ... 25 25%

Canadian Pacific Railway ... 13 13%

Chase National Bank ... 35 35%

Chevrolet ... 10 10%

Consolidated Gas of N. Y. ... 59 58%

Drug Inc. ... 33 33%

Du Pont de Nemours ... 37 37%

Eastman Kodak ... 54 54%

Electric Bond & Share ... 19 19%

Electric Power & Light ... 7 6%

General Electric ... 15 15%

General Foods ... 24 24%

General Motors ... 13 13%

Gillette Safety Razor ... 18 18%

Goodyear Tire & Rubber ... 17 16%

International Harvester ... 21 22%

International Nickel ... 8 8%

International Tel. & Tel. ... 7 7%

Kreuger & Toll ... 18 18%

Liggett & Myers "R" ... 55 55%

Loew's Inc. ... 23 23%

Montgomery Ward ... 14 13%

National City Bank (bid price) ... 44 43%

Pacific Gas & Electric ... 20 20%

Packard Motors ... 2 2%

Pennsylvania Railroad ... 14 14%

Radio Corporation ... 5 5%

Sears Roebuck ... 21 21%

Shell Union ... 5 5%

Socoy-Vacuum Corporation ... 8 7%

Standard Oil Co. of N. J. ... 31 30%

Texas Corporation ... 14 14%

Union Carbide & Iron ... 30 30%

## LONDON STOCK PRICES

### MARKET GENERALLY FIRMER

The following quotations on the London Stock Exchange have been received by Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz in conjunction with Reuters. The market yesterday was rather better disposed and generally firmer.

Dec. 12. Dec. 13.

Brit. Amer. Tob. 102 103 1/2

Japan 5% Sterling Loan, 1907 ... £11 1/2 £10-1/2

Japan 5% Sterling Loan, 1924 ... £12-1/2 £11-3/4

5% Shai-Nanking Ry. ... £30-44 £30-44

5% Tientsin-Pukow Ry. ... £25-30 £25-30

5% Tientsin-Pukow Ry. (Suppl. Loan) ... £20-25 £20-25

5% Shai-Hang-chow-Ningpo Ry. ... £77-82 £77-82

5% Fukien Ry. ... £25-29 £25-29

5% Honan Ry. ... £ 5-10 £ 5-10

5% Lung Tai U. Hal. Ry. 1910 ... £10-15 £10-15

Chinese Eng and Mining ... 24 1/3 24 1/3

War Loan 1914 ... 98 1/2 98 1/2

Shai. Elec. Contr. ... 53 1/2 53 1/2

Burmah Oil ... 57 1/2 57 1/2

Anglo-Persian Oil ... 31 1/2 31 1/2

Mexican Eagle ... 7 3/4 7 3/4

Royal Dutch ... £18-1/4 £18-1/2

J. & P. Coats ... 40 1/2 40 1/2

Daily Mail ... 34 1/2 34 1/2

Imperial Chemical Industries ... 23 7/8 23 7/8

Imp. Tobacco ... 90 1/2 90 1/2

Guinness ... 81 1/2 81 1/2

Distillers ... 54 1/2 54 1/2

General Elec. (England) ... 40 1/2 40 1/2

Elec. & Muscat Industries ... 11 1/3 11 1/3

Turner & Newall ... 20 7/8 21 1/2

Unilever ... 81 1/2 81 1/2

Vickers ... 6 1/2 6 1/2

Woolworth ... 72 1/2 72 1/2

Ford Motors ... 21 1/2 21 1/2

Dunlop Rubber ... 18 1/2 18 1/2

Burns Corp. ... 10 1/4 10 1/4

Anglo-Dutch ... 9 1/2 9 1/2

Shell Trans. and Trad. ... 48 1/2 48 1/2

Courtaulds ... 30 1/2 30 1/2

Int. Tea Stores ... 29 10 1/2 29 10 1/2

Ever Ready ... 26 1/2 26 1/2

Pinchin Johnson ... 27 1/2 27 1/2

Pekin Syndicate ... 17 1/2 17 1/2

Carbon ... 25 1/2 25 1/2

Union Pacific ... 72 1/2 72 1/2

United Aircraft & Trans. ... 26 1/2 26 1/2

U. S. Rubber ... 4 1/2 4 1/2

U. S. Steels ... 32 1/2 32 1/2

Westinghouse E. & M. ... 28 1/2 28 1/2

Woolworth ... 36 1/2 36 1/2

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 August 1933 5/10 1/2 up 1/2 d.  
 December 1933 6/1 1/2 up 3/4 d.  
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#### New York Terminals

March 1933 .78 no change.  
 May 1933 .83 no change.  
 July 1933 .88 down 1 pt.  
 September 1933 .93 no change.  
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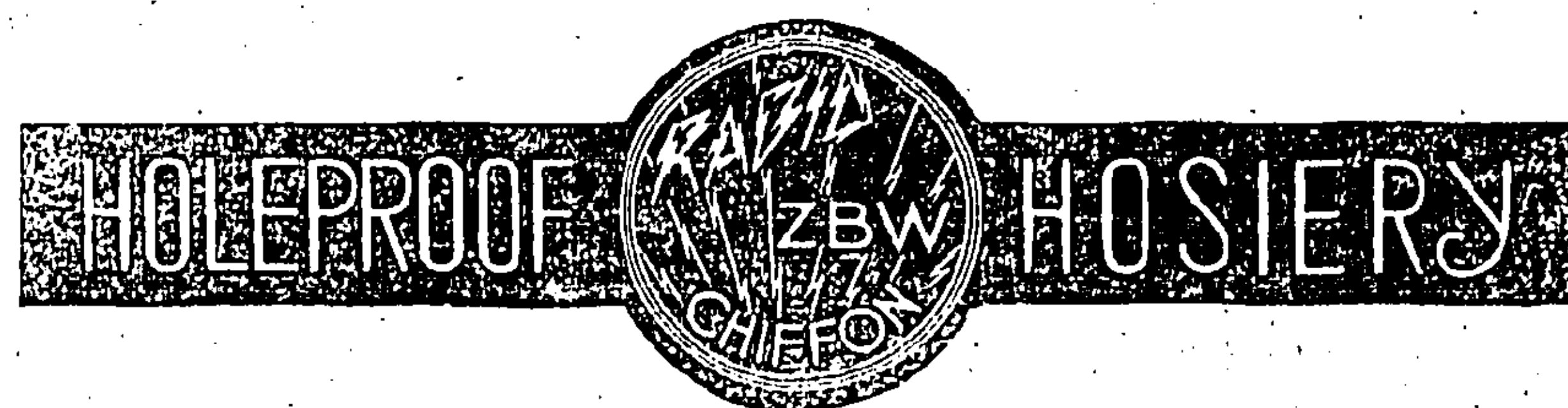
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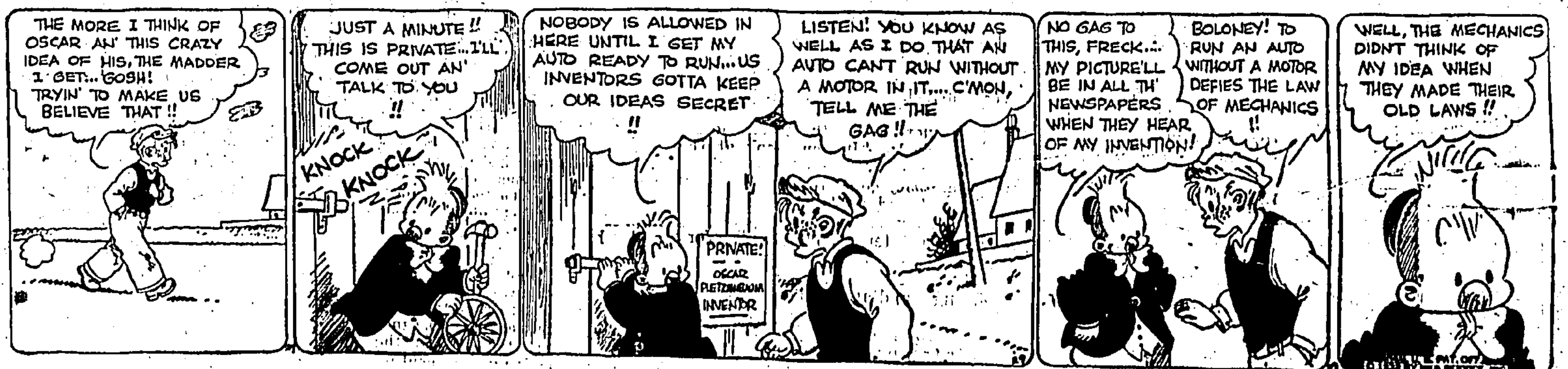
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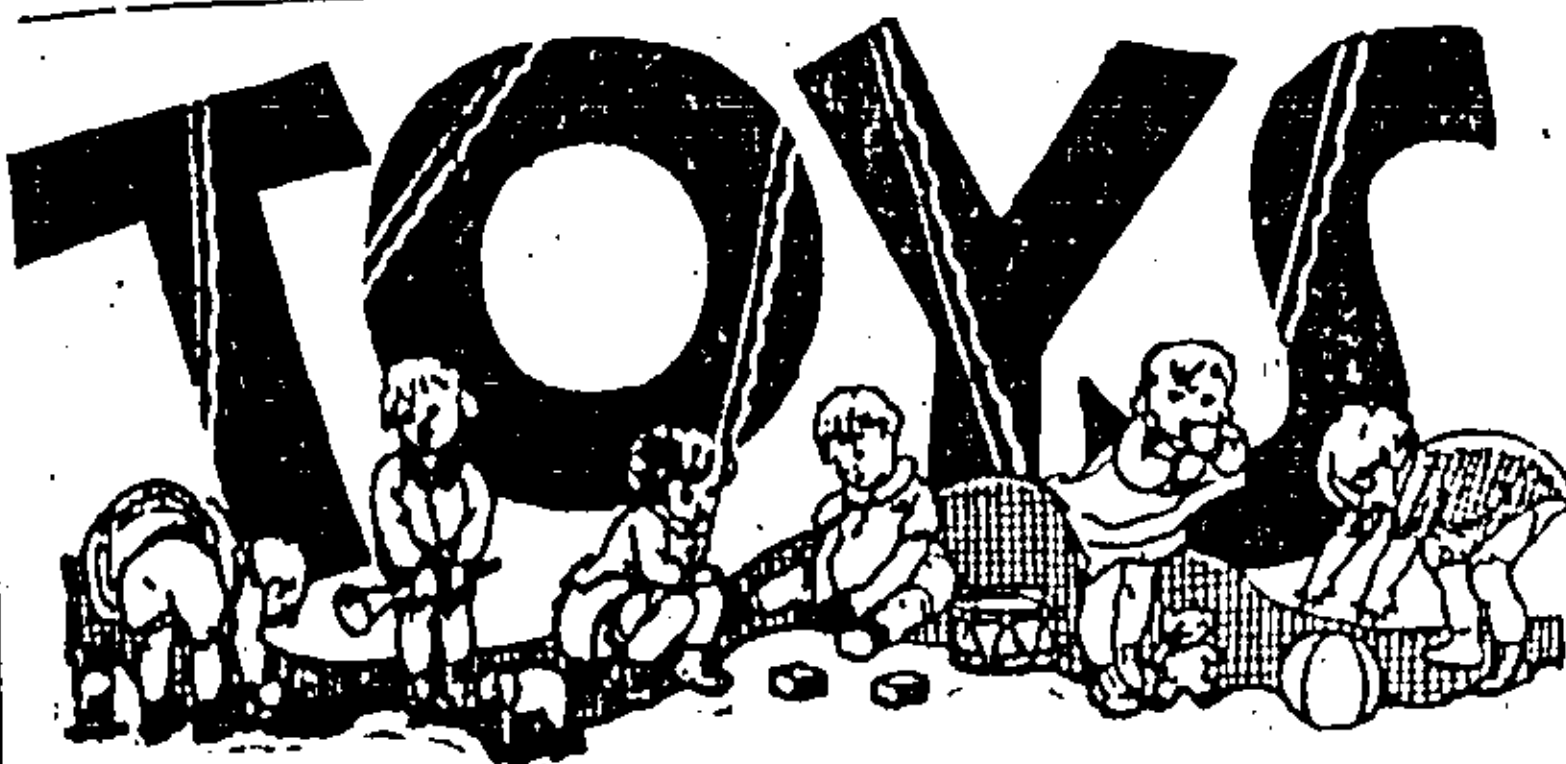
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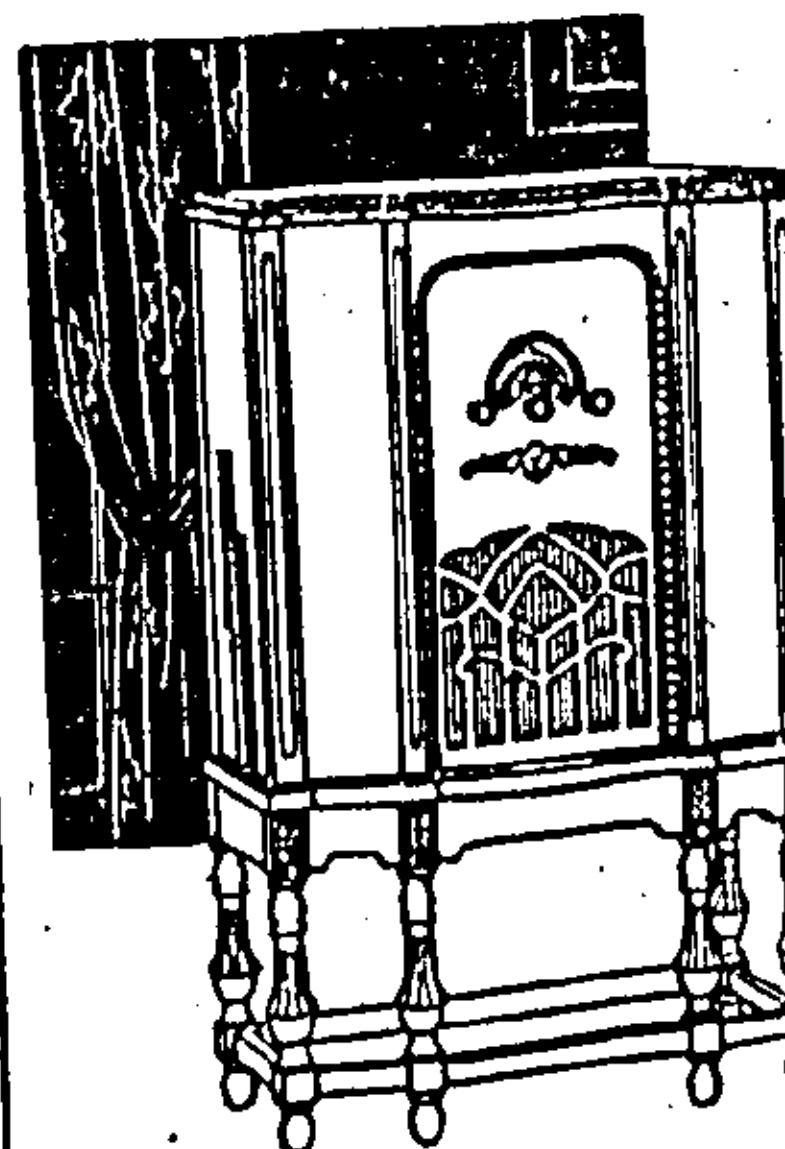
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## BIRTHS.

GARLAND.—At the Victoria Hos-  
pital, this morning to Mr. and  
Mrs. Neil Garland, a daughter.MURRAY.—At Victoria Hospital on  
December 14th, 1932, to Mr. and  
Mrs. B. J. Murray, a son.

## DEATH.

FREDERIKS.—At Kowloon on De-  
cember 13, Johan Louis Max  
Frederiks, aged 33 years.  
Funeral will pass the Monument at  
5.30 p.m. to-day.The  
Hongkong Telegraph

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 14, 1932.

## WAR DEBT FACTS

The facts and figures which Mr. Neville Chamberlain gave in the House of Commons on Monday in regard to the disparity of treatment which Britain received in her war debt funding agreement with the United States, as compared with America's other debtors, provide a striking commentary on the bad bargain which Mr. Baldwin made on his visit to Washington ten years ago. It is an old story, but it is well that, at this juncture, the facts should be kept in mind.

One of the reasons why Britain secured the least generous terms from America is that she signed first; another is that she made so little fuss about it. It is known that Mr. Baldwin felt abashed by the reception accorded to his alternative proposals, but, in the presence of creditors, he did not press the matter. Britain wished to re-establish her credit, and a necessary preliminary was the funding of the war debt to America. When Mr. Baldwin returned, he did not allow his chagrin to escape, for, in an interview at Southampton, he remarked:—"If you look at the Senate you will find that the majority come from the agricultural and pastoral communities and do not realise the meaning of an international debt." Very possibly, Mr. Baldwin's outburst made things better for succeeding funding missions. At any rate, they got much better terms. A further point to be stressed is that by the terms of our agreement with America, we have to pay over eighty-two per cent. of what we owed, whilst, on the other hand, we have asked none of our Allies for more than half of their debts to us. Even up to the present time, we have paid

the United States some £200,000,000 more than we have received. In the case of France, we remitted sixty-two per cent. of the debt, and in the case of Italy no less than eighty-six per cent., while the Rumanian, Portuguese, Greek and Yugo-Slavian debts were remitted at from sixty-three to sixty-eight per cent. When consideration is given to facts like these, it is possible to gain some idea of the excessive burden which Britain is being called upon to bear, a burden which has been rendered all the heavier from the fact that reparations payments are at the moment in suspense. But we live in times in which hard realities have to be faced, however disconcerting they may be. And the dominant fact is that agreements have to be respected. The case for revision is overwhelmingly strong, admittedly. Indeed, it is urgent. It may be helped by a remembrance of the actual facts of the situation, which are liable to be lost sight of in the discussion of immediate issues.

## Water Supply

The early imposition of restrictions on the water supply is already justified by results. The arguments of the sceptics and the grumblers that the saving effected by curtailment of the hours of supply is offset by wasteful storage in baths and other containers is belied. Figures supplied by the Water Authority show that the consumption on the mainland for the month of November was nearly 100,000,000 gallons less than during October, although the restrictions did not come into force until November 8, while in Kowloon, in similar conditions, a reduction of consumption by 30,000,000 gallons was achieved. The net saving may be calculated as 30 per cent. on the mainland and slightly under twenty per cent. in Kowloon, figures which must be regarded as satisfactory, particularly as a further improvement should be recorded during December when the result of a full month of the restrictions will be noted. On the present basis of consumption, there should be sufficient water in storage to supply the mainland's requirements on the existing scale until the end of June, unless, owing to the greater need of the mainland, it is found necessary to divert the Shing Mun supply. In any event, it is clear, that the new system, causing trifling inconvenience now, must have the effect of staving off real inconvenience in the Spring and early Summer unless the weather plays the Colony an abnormally scurvy trick.

## "Very Proud"

General approval has greeted the award of the 1932 Nobel Prize for Literature to Mr. John Galsworthy, novelist, dramatist and writer of short stories. Dissentients there will be, of course. Those who found appropriate the award to Mr. Sinclair Lewis in 1930 will not rejoice at seeing the laurel placed on Mr. Galsworthy's brow. They will complain, no doubt, that he belongs to a literary age that is already past. But those who care for the traditions of English letters will welcome this recognition of one of England's most distinguished modern writers. Only Mr. Rudyard Kipling and Mr. Bernard Shaw, among British writers, have been similarly honoured. Surely Mr. Galsworthy's contribution to English literature ranks with theirs. His chief claim to fame of course is "The Forsyte Saga," the record of that English upper-middle-class society from which the author sprang and which now, seemingly, is in its evening. But he has written many other novels and short stories, and he has had, unlike most novelists, a conspicuous success with his plays. "Old English" is probably the best known of his stage works, but "Strife," "Justice," "Loyalties" and "Escape" have also made a deep impression. In his plays, novels and short stories, as in his private life, Mr. Galsworthy is English of the English—Harrow, Oxford and country houses. He stands for that England—for honour and decency and reticence and endurance, for playing the game and for doing the sporting thing. His comment on the present award was characteristically simple and unassuming: "I am very pleased and very proud." He and his kind are enshrined

SOME REFLECTIONS ON  
"PAYMENT DEFERRED"

MOST of the recent A.D.C. productions have been hailed with such acclamation by the Press, and even palpably poor players overloaded with such praise, that I have often felt a very strong inclination to write and point out a few home truths: however I have never done so as there is no point in hurting people's feelings, and an amateur, unlike a professional, is entitled to be bad. But a tradition seems to have grown up lately that everybody in the cast must have his word of praise; this, I think, is unnecessary, and bad acting should just be passed over in silence, otherwise criticism becomes meaningless. I admit that it has already become so far true, and that in why I was so lately unprepared for the quality of the acting in "Payment Deferred," though I had read various criticisms of the play. And since the acting has, on the whole, been underpraised this time, I do not see why I should restrain my inclination to write what is, to me, a few truths about it, since no-one's feelings need be hurt in any way.

Having said so much, I hope I shall be forgiven if I say that I thought the play itself rather a poor one, I am puzzled as to the reasons for this, and not really expert enough in dramatic criticism to lay my fingers on them.

Art and real life are different: an obvious example of this attitude is that a bore on the stage can be devastatingly funny, whereas one known that if one met him in real life one would merely find him devastatingly boring. The account of a suburban murder affair in the papers is generally unpleasant and sordid; sordid, probably, in such a commonplace way that it is difficult to raise any pity for any of the people concerned; the same theme becomes tragic and moving. The central ironic theme in "Payment Deferred" is a good one, if slightly obvious: Why, then, is the play, to my mind, faintly boring? Chiefly, I suspect, because as a sup-posed work of art it lacks distinction. There is no poetry in it. It is the artist's job to raise a sordid episode of everyday life to a higher plane, and give it a tragic significance; this, I think, Mr. Dell has failed to do.

The fact that one knows what the end of the play will be right from the beginning also makes for tedium: it is going to happen in all the great tragic plays, but that does not prevent one being intensely moved by them. What "Payment Deferred" essentially lacks is the katartic element of great art, that purging by pity and terror of one's grosser emotions which makes a man emerge from the theatre with his soul singing, although he may have been moved to tears by the tragedy which he has just witnessed.

Perhaps it was asking too much of Mr. Dell to do this, since so very few writers have the power; but I have set down the above in an effort to show why the play, which might have been a very good one, missed, in actual fact, being so. And now to the acting.

The first thing that struck me was the all-round excellence of the cast. I was happy to be spared the embarrassing experience, inevitably common enough in amateur shows, of seeing a struggling part, and an unsuitable or too difficult part, and not emerging, altogether victorious. Nobody was too obviously himself, nor trying too obviously not to be himself. The smaller parts were uncommonly well played, Mr. Brock, in particular, giving an extraordinarily good study of the doctor, although he was only on the stage a few minutes. In a larger part, Mr. Eager was extremely convincing, and gave the necessary life to some rather colourless writing on the part of the author. Mrs. Arnold had better material to work on, and I was

very surprised to hear it was the first time she had ever acted. There now remain the three big parts. The only thing I have to criticise about Miss Butterfield's performance as the daughter, was her (or possibly the producer's) conception of her before she went to school in France. I personally thought that she was commoner than her parents, and too common for a girl who was going to quite a good school. However, as somebody pointed out to me, she had only just left a council school, so this conception of the part may have been justified, and I may be wrong. Given this conception, Miss Butterfield acted extremely well, both as the school-girl in bloomers, and as the sophisticated product of a finishing school, which, as in this case, she often finishes the girl as far as the parents are concerned.

The two chief parts were played by Miss Bert and Mr. J. Roberts. Miss Bert was good; even excellent. Just in one or two places did I feel she was "acting." I don't mean over-acting, but merely that her emotions did not seem to be springing up from deep inside her. But at the moment of the play, when she picked up the book on poisons and the realisation suddenly comes over her of what has happened, she was, judged by any standards, very fine. At this moment, when the husband silently comes in and stands behind her, realising that she now knows his secret, I experienced a genuine artistic thrill. The play itself here reaches momentarily a high level.

Mr. Roberts' performance throughout was superb. Purely from the point of view of memorizing such a long part, it was an astonishing feat, but the whole interpretation of the part was finely conceived and finely carried out. I started naturally enough thinking of Marlow as Mr. Roberts, whom I happen to know, but before long I was thinking only of Marlow as Marlow. The way the wretched man's character improved under the impact of inescapable unhappiness was brought out with a sure and sympathetic touch. At the same time, I rather doubt if it has often been equalled in Hongkong.

Anybody who has read as far as this will have realised that the producer did her work remarkably well, and he will not be wrong. Mrs. Grossman's acting I have already admitted since I first saw it, but I must admit I had no idea she would turn out such a good producer. A play of this kind badly handled might have been ghastly; there were limitless opportunities for false notes, but none were struck. This, though important, is negative praise, and Mrs. Grossman deserves a good deal more than that. As I have already mentioned, the best moment of the play was finely handled, but the production was very well handled throughout. I particularly noticed the absence of any bad grouping or fidgety or awkward movements, and all the actors were usually audible at the back of the house. The only thing I have any doubts about was the tempo of the playing; I am not sure that it could not have been speeded up a little to advantage, but I realize that this is not a play that can be played quickly, and the immense difficulties of not letting it drag a little in places.

In the foregoing estimate of the play and production I am aware that I have used a great many laudatory adjectives, but this is not to say that I sat through the evening entranced; I did not. But I did think that judged by any standards both the acting and the production were quite good, and judged by amateur standards, they were very good. Had the play itself had greater intrinsic merit, it would have been a memorable production for Hongkong. As it was I was very glad to see that the A.D.C. had at last broken with their recent custom of putting on plays only of the highest type, and I hope that in future they will be even more ambitious. I recommend such a play as "The Skin Game," for instance, to their attention.

## The Very Idea!

## Pity the Poor Taipan

By Edward Kelly, Charly Worker.  
Pity the poor taipan on the \$1,000 a week breadline. They're having a terrible time, what with the new duty on motor cars, and the unrest in the Amahs Association.

We have just seen a cocktail curve which looked like the upward flight of a rocket. Owing to absinth rising to \$50 a bottle, men on the \$1,000 a week dole are faced with the daily dread of having to sacrifice either their tiffin cocktail or their 1840 vintage brandy. The effect on their morale can be well imagined.

Cases have even been brought to our notice where rich taipans are recovering their digestions. The medical profession is, in consequence, in an appalling state.

The cost of rent has become so prohibitive that it is not now possible to obtain a 40 room house for under \$400 a month.

Even at this price, only one tonnis court is supplied, and electric lights are not laid in in the grounds.

We know of one or two taipans, nearly reduced to the breadline in Hongkong, who have actually worn their silk hats and patent leather shoes at least half a dozen times.

To show how much it costs today for the average simple meal one taipan can offer another we print the following sample menu:

|                                   |              |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Pate de sole fraise               | .....\$7.00  |
| Oyster Cocktail                   | .....7.00    |
| Real mushroom and oyster soup     | .....5.00    |
| Steamed garoupa, oyster sauce     | .....8.00    |
| Poussin on papillote              | .....9.50    |
| Scrambled eggs and asparagus tips | .....7.50    |
| Mushrooms                         | .....3.50    |
| Omelette au Kruschen              | .....6.00    |
| Cheese Souffle                    | .....4.20    |
| Total                             | .....\$57.70 |

In addition, there are cocktails and wines, say a Martini at \$1, a glass of Amontillado with the soup at another \$1, a small bottle of hock with the fish at \$10, and an absinthe to finish off with, say \$1.50. This basic luncheon altogether would run into \$62.20. With the standard cumshaw of ten per cent. the grand total is \$68.60.

Is it any wonder that our poor taipans are wondering from where and whom their next meal is coming?

## OUR AUTUMN BOOK LIST.

Few important novels have appeared this autumn—few that is that make any contribution to the novelist's technique, but those that do are very important indeed.

The first on the list we place "The Freezing Stars" by P. Khyte. Mr. Khyte knows his Peak and his story of how a "foreigner" trickled in and what happened when he tried to make himself at home is poignant, with a poignancy all its own. Full of the most exquisite shudders.

"An Exile in Exile."—By Sir Cumference de Tong. A special edition of this novel has been printed on asbestos and fastened with string and sealing-wax. Sir Cumference is one of the few modern authors who gains strength from stone to stone. He is the master of the short story and these include his best, including the one about the farmer's daughter.

"Queer Street."—By E. D. Ward Kelly. A remarkable book. Mr. Kelly observes his fellow creatures with a tender pity. Tears and smiles intermingle and love and sorrow walk hand in hand. Every one who likes full-blooded writing will like Kelly. There is nothing vague about him. The book is experimental in form. It is written entirely without verbs and further escapes the taint of normality by being printed upside down.

"Walls of Jericho."—By P. W. Dee. This is the type of book which should prove a boon to the young and to those who wish to remain young by keeping their minds alert. A queer story, it is the record of a group of engineers' terrible fight against odds in a wild outlandish country on the borders of China. Reads almost like fiction.

"Stolen Minutes."—By Ron de Vous. Clearly this is a book which one should not examine too closely for fear of intrusion. "A fair Coughdrop," said H. J. K. Sithwell, in an interview. A vibrant spirit fills the book and gives it a concentrated unity of mood.

## WINTER COMES.

Winter has come. Asterisk. Might as well have two asterisks, to keep it well covered.

The changes and benefits it confers are animal, vegetable and debatable. For instance, porridge-stalkers are early astir, their long and sensitive noses and butter-stained ears quivering with anticipation.



"Be sure to thank auntie if she says she is going to leave you a million dollars. Here's ten cents to help you remember."



## ARMY BARBER'S CASE

## AMENDED CLAIM NOT ALLOWED

The hearing of the claim for \$144.17 by Ali Asgar Shah, of 87, Austin Road, against Badar Din, of the Kowloon Hotel, ground floor, barber contractor to the Lincolnshire Regiment at Shamshui, in respect of wages due under a contract dated 16th September, was continued at the Supreme Court this morning before the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood).

Mr. A. el Arculli, who is appearing for the defence, submitted that the \$5,000 mentioned in the agreement was really liquidated damages and not a penalty. He quoted several authorities to support his contention.

His Lordship said he did not think it was a case of liquidated damages.

Mr. M. A. Silva, appearing for plaintiff, then asked for the Court's leave to amend his writ with an alternative claim on a verbal agreement of employment.

Mr. Arculli:—My friend cannot do that. He must succeed on one contract or the other.

Mr. Silva:—My alternative claim would be one which defendant would be stopped from denying.

His Lordship would not permit the amendment.

Defendant was this morning subjected to cross-examination by Mr. Silva, and after hearing the evidence of A. K. Carramat, clerk to the defendant, his Lordship gave judgment for the defendant, with costs.

## SNATCHER ROBS LADY

## PRISON AND BIRCHING ORDERED

Mrs. Lambert, of 8, Leighton Hill Road, appeared as complainant before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court this morning to prosecute an unemployed Chinese on a charge of snatching her handbag in Caroline Hill Road, yesterday afternoon.

The defendant, on pleading guilty, was sentenced to six months' hard labour and twelve strokes of the birch.

Detective Sergeant J. Kennedy informed his Worship that Mrs. Lambert was waiting for a bus in Caroline Hill Road at its junction with Link Road at 2.30 p.m. yesterday when the defendant, approaching from behind, snatched her handbag and ran into a building under construction. He was seen by a contractor, Ng Tai-tong, who gave chase and had the man arrested.

The police were summoned and after the defendant was taken into custody, a search was made for the missing handbag but it was not recovered. The total loss sustained was \$129, including \$114 in money.

## TEA RESTRICTION PROGRAMME

## GOVERNMENTS TO BE GIVEN CONTROL

London, Dec. 14. The Financial Times learns from an authoritative source through its Amsterdam correspondent that the tea restriction scheme which the Dutch and Dutch East Indian planters have approved, includes restriction in the first year to fifteen per cent. of the export figures of the year 1929, 1930 or 1931, to be fixed at the option of the three participating countries.

The situation will be reviewed every year and the scheme will last for five years from April 1, 1933.

Exports will be controlled by the Governments concerned and new plantings will be prohibited during the period of restriction.—Reuter.

## COTTON &amp; WHEAT

## LATEST NEW YORK QUOTATIONS

Messrs. Swan, Culbertson and Fritz have revised the following quotations on the New York cotton and wheat exchanges for yesterday (Tuesday).

| Cotton   |       | Opening   | Closing   |
|----------|-------|-----------|-----------|
| December | Range | 5.70-5.78 | 5.77-5.78 |
| January  |       | 5.78-5.79 | 5.79-5.79 |
| February |       | 5.92-5.91 | 5.92-5.93 |
| March    |       | 6.01-6.02 | 6.03-6.03 |
| April    |       | 6.13-6.12 | 6.13-6.14 |
| May      |       | 6.30-6.30 | 6.31-6.31 |
| October  |       | 6.30      |           |
| Spot     |       | 5.90      |           |

| Wheat    |  | Chicago | Winnipeg |
|----------|--|---------|----------|
| December |  | 42½     | 44½      |
| May      |  | 46½     | 47½      |
| July     |  | 49½     | 47½      |

## SIX DAYS AND NIGHTS ON A FLOATING TREE

## EXTRAORDINARY ADVENTURES OF A MALAY

That truth is stranger than fiction is again exemplified by the remarkable story of a Pahang Malay who was saved by a kindly disposed Providence after six days and nights in the sea near Singapore.

When picked up by the s.s. Carnarvonshire, Hongkong-bound, on the 24th of last month, he had drifted some 800 miles from Singapore.

A lean wiry man, as are the majority of his race, Sanib Bin Ahmet Ali, 42 years of age, told a Telegraph reporter who saw him this morning at the Central Police Station, an amazing story of physical endurance which had enabled him for almost a week to withstand the severe exposure, bobbing like a cork in the heavy monsoon-blown seas, and clinging to the trunk of a coconut tree which had accompanied him out to sea.

## HURRICANE BLAST.

On the 18th of last month, he stated, he was working in a coconut plantation running to the water's edge at Pahang. He was collecting coconuts shaken off a tree, when a sudden hurricane sprang up, and lifted him bodily off his feet.

He found himself carried through the air out to sea, and was dropped into the water together with other objects. He blindly grasped one of these, and it proved to be an uproot-

ed coconut tree.

## COMPLETELY EXHAUSTED.

To this he tenaciously clung, while the tree was carried out farther and farther out to sea. The next six days and nights were for him a period of keen suffering, of hunger and exposure, with hopes momentarily buoyed up by the sight of passing steamers. Three such passed him in the night without his being able to attract their attention.

On the 24th, in the last stages of exhaustion, and rigid with a numbing cold, he was picked up by the s.s. Carnarvonshire on its way to Hongkong, more dead than alive.

When the ship arrived here on the 30th, he was removed to the Government Civil Hospital, whence he was discharged this morning alive and well.

The Police authorities have taken him under their wing, and as no friends of his have been found in Hongkong, to assist him, the authorities have decided to lodge him in the House of Detention where he can at least be assured of food and shelter for the time being while his repatriation is being arranged.

Detective Sergeant Carruthers made the necessary application to the Magistrate, Mr. Grantham, this morning, when he formally charged the Malay under the vagrancy law, and the detention order was recorded.

## MAKING HILLSIDE UNSIGHTLY

## BILLPOSTERS BUSY AT TAIKOO

In an endeavour to rid the district of unsightly posters, the police at Shaikwan are keeping a watch for unauthorized billposters who have been in the habit of using the face of the hillside opposite the Taikoo Dock to display their placards.

Inspector G.A. Stimson, officer in charge of the Shaikwan Station, this morning charged a coolie engaged by On Lok Yuen, before Mr. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court, with unlawfully posting and exhibiting advertisements upon Crown land without the consent of the Inspector General of Police.

The officer informed his Worship that the face of the hill opposite the Taikoo Dock Yard gate was nothing but a mass of posters, and the police had been making an effort for the past two months to keep the place clear. The posters were put up during the night, and last night whilst Sergeant Slater was keeping a special watch he arrested the defendant, who was engaged by On Lok Yuen to post bills advertising their biscuits.

The defendant was fined \$10.

## WAR DEBTS

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## ESSENTIAL PRELIMINARY.

Answering a supplementary question as to whether France had agreed to pay Britain £12,000,000 a year, irrespective of payments from Germany, the Chancellor said the agreement with France provided that the payments were due to Britain quite irrespective of any payments received from Germany by France. He also stated that there was nothing incompatible between American willingness to consider revision of war debts, with a view to world recovery, and the arrangement made at Lausanne, which in his opinion, was an essential preliminary.

He added:—"We are entitled, and we intend if so able, to make a separate settlement with the United States."—British Wireless.

## BRITAIN IN THE CRISIS

## PRINCE OF WALES' TRIBUTE

London, Dec. 13.

The Prince of Wales, in a speech to-day, paid a tribute to the manner in which Britain is fighting the world depression.

The "world," he said, "realises that although we are suffering, like other countries, during these bad times, we are not over-depressed by it."



"As has happened to us in the past in the great struggles of our history, the very magnitude of our difficulties has aroused a spirit of determination to overcome them." The Prince referred to his recent visits to Britain's industrial (Continued on Next Column.)

## DAY BY DAY: NEWS IN BRIEF

ANY AMOUNT OF WORK CAN BE PERFORMED BY CAREFUL FEEDERS: IT IS THE STOMACH THAT KILLS THE ENGLISHMAN.—Meredith.

The Ben line s.s. Benarty is due here from Singapore on the 10th inst.

The wedding will shortly take place between Mr. Jona Maria de Jesus Xavier, clerk, of 40, King Kwong Street, Happy Valley, and Miss Maria Conceicao Tang, of 53, Johnston Road, Hongkong.

One of the companies distributing calendars this year is the Messageries Maritimes. The local office sends an effective wall calendar with a coloured picture showing one of their latest liners at anchor, the foreground having an animated scene in which natives of Indo-China figure.

The P. and O. liner Ranpara, from Shanghai, is due here at 7 a.m. on Friday.

Riding a bicycle along Waterloo Road, Alfred Abong, 15, a schoolboy, collided with a Chinese yesterday, causing injuries to the man's left arm.

Until further notice, S. Moutrie & Co., Ltd., will remain open from 8.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. On Saturday, December 24, the store will remain open for business until 7 p.m.

One case of small-pox with one death, 5 cases of diphtheria with 3 deaths, and 2 cases of typhoid with one death were reported to the local health authorities last week. On Monday there were another three cases of diphtheria. Deaths from pulmonary tuberculosis last week totalled 51.

## SESSIONS START ON MONDAY

## SEVERAL CASES ON THE LIST

The December Criminal Sessions commence on Monday next, and the cases to be heard on that day, before His Honour the Puisne Judge (Mr. Justice Wood), are as follows:—Li Sang, Li Choi, Lau Po, Lau Kwan, Kwok Luen-hing, and Leung Fai, branch of deportation orders; Wong Ngan, robbery by two or more; Fung Po-wan, attempted murder; and Lo Chong, manslaughter.

On Tuesday, Lai Po and Lai Yuen will appear on charges of child stealing and child harbouring and on Wednesday, Lau Kau will appear charged with larceny by a clerk or servant.

Mr. J. A. Fraser will appear for the Crown.

## OIL RESTRICTION AGREEMENT

## TO BE RENEWED EVERY THREE MONTHS

Paris, Dec. 13.

Complete agreement was reached at the International Oil Conference, which terminated to-day, when Rumania consented to restrict her output to 18,500 tons daily.

The agreement is for an indefinite period, but is subject to renewal every three months, owing to the impossibility of estimating the demand in advance over long periods of time.

It is considered that if the Russian production is reduced in the coming three months, Rumania will ask permission to increase her output correspondingly.—Reuter.

## DUTCH TEXTILE QUOTA

## IMPORTS TO BE CUT BY 50 PER CENT.

The Hague, Dec. 13.

A Royal Decree has been issued, reducing the quota for the importation of textiles during the next nine months to fifty per cent. of the average value of imports during the corresponding nine months of 1929, 1930, and 1931.—Reuter.

## NATIVE BANKERS' ASSOCIATION.

## OPENING PERFORMED BY SIR SHOU-SUN CHOW

The Luen On Native Bankers' Association was declared open on Monday at a banquet given at the Kam Lung Restaurant, presided over by Sir Shou-sun Chow, supported by the Chairman, Mr. Tan Shu-kin, and the vice-Chairman, Pun Hui-cho, both being prominent figures in local Chinese banking circles.

Hundreds of native bankers and some eminent guests, including the Hon. Mr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Mr. S. W. Tse, the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, C. B. E., Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Mr. Wong Kwong-tin and others, attended the function.

After Sir Shou-sun Chow's speech both the Chairman and vice-Chairman addressed the meeting, dealing with the aims of this important native bankers' association. In the evening there was a dinner party at the same restaurant.

## EXCHANGE RATES

|                  | Dec. 12. | Dec. 13. |
|------------------|----------|----------|
| Paris            | 83½      | 83½      |
| Geneva           | 16.95½   | 17.02½   |
| Berlin           | 13.21/32 | 13.74½   |
| Helsingfors      | 228      | 228      |
| Oslo             | 19.37½   | 19.40½   |
| Athens           | 595      | 592½     |
| Milan            | 63.11/16 | 64.1/10  |
| Buenos Aires     | Nom.     | Nom.     |
| Shanghai         | 1/9      | 1/8½     |
| New York         | 3.26     | 3.27½    |
| Amsterdam        | 8.10½    | 8.15     |
| Vienna           | 27½      | 27½      |
| Prague           | 110½     | 110½     |
| Stockholm        | 40.3/10  | 40.3/10  |
| Madrid           | 40       | 40.2/4   |
| Bucharest        | 567½     | 567½     |
| Hongkong         | 1/4      | 1/4      |
| Brussels         | 23.54½   | 23.64½   |
| Copenhagen       | 18.30½   | 18.30½   |
| Lisbon           | 10.28½   | 10.29½   |
| Rio              | 107½     | 108      |
| Bombay           | 1/6.3/10 | 1/6.3/10 |
| Yokohama         | 1/3      | 1/3.1/10 |
| Montevideo       | 3.78½    | 3.79½    |
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7-10.45 p.m. European programme.

7-7.30 p.m.

Old England—Selection (arr. Baynes).  
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Scotch Medley.  
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7.30-8 p.m. From the Studio.

An English Song Recital by Mrs. A. M. Bowes-Smith (Soprano) accompanied by Col. G. Kunbo.

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3. To Daffodils (Delius).

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Tango (Albeniz).

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4. In April (Montague Phillips).

5. Love's Quarrel (Cyril Scott).

6. Fair House of Joy (Quilter).

8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.3-9 p.m. Variety.

A Woodland Idyll—Bird Songs and Calls.

Alec Shaw, the Scottish "Bird Man" DB936.

Song—Snuggled on Your Shoulder.

Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.

Organ Solo—Tell Her the Truth—Sing Brothers!

Quentin Maclean DB875.

Vocal Duet—The Ghost of an Old King's Jester.

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Organ Solo—The Land of Smiles—You Are My Heart's Delight.

Sidney Torch MR398.

Vocal Duet—The Old Man of the Mountain.

Layton and Johnstone DB943.

Fox Trot—Goodnight Vienna.

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Humorous Song—When the Mutes Screw a Good Man Down.

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Orchestral—Bring a Love Song.

Albert Sandler and His Orch. DB873.

Song—Love, You Funny Thing.

Kate Smith (Comedienne) DB871.

Organ Solo—Paradise.

Quentin Maclean DB875.

Vocal Duet—Big Ben Calling.

Mr. Flotsam and Mr. Jetsam DB883.

Organ Solo—Serenade.

Sidney Torch MR398.

Vocal Duet—Love Me To-night.

Layton and Johnstone DB943.

Waltz—My Pretty Flowers.

Debroy Somers Band CB441.

Humorous Song—Let's Have a Darn Good moan!

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Orchestral—You Will Remember Vienna.

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9-9.30 p.m. From the Studio.

Selections by "The Music Makers."

9.30-9.45 p.m. Octets.

Scent of the Jasmine (Squire).

Song of the Waterfall (Squire).

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet DB107.

Serenade (Pierne).

Gavotte Tendre (Ganne).

J. H. Squire Celeste Octet DB928.

9.45-10.45 p.m. From the Studio.

Selections by the R.M.S. Empress of Japan Orchestra directed by Mr. A. W. Storey.

Programme.

1. Grand March from "Aida" (Verdi).

2. Selection "Mlle. Modiste" (Victor Herbert).

3. Mignonne (Frim).

Intermission.

1. Adagio Pathétique (Godard).

2. Selection "The Desert Song" (Romberg).

Intermission.

1. Reverie "Eleanor" (Deppen).

2. Carzonetta (Hollaender).

3. Selection "H.M.S. Pinfore" (Sullivan).

10.45 p.m. Rugby Mid-day Press News.

10.50 p.m. (approx.) Close Down.

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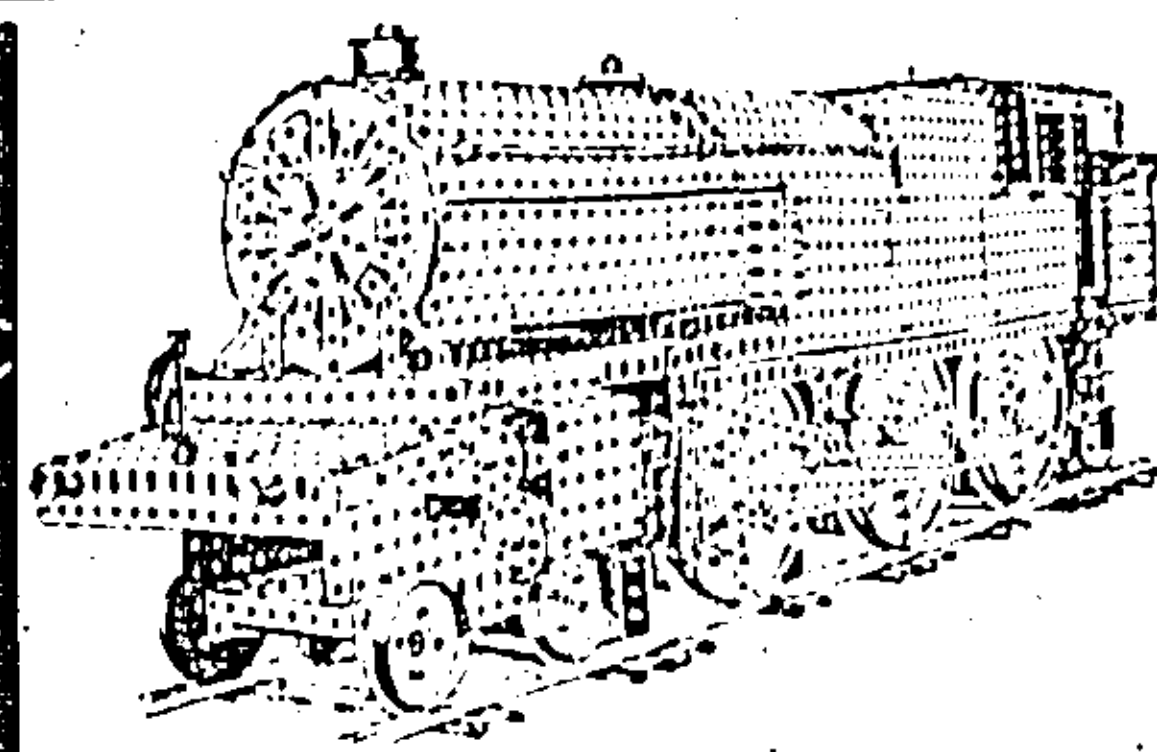
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### DEPLETED VARSITY TEAM LOSES

#### Battery Win a Very One-Sided Game

(By "Bully-Off")

In view of the fact that they fielded a much depleted side the University did well to hold the 1st I.K.S. Battery to a score of three goals to one on the Marina ground yesterday, in a Mamak Tournament game.

The game was very one-sided, and as a result very uninteresting, the Varsity scored their only goal in the first half.

#### ANOTHER POINT LOST.

Meeting on the Marina ground yesterday, the Police and R.A.M.C. played a drawn match, both teams scoring once.

This is the third game in which the Police have conceded points in the Mamak League.

#### LINCOLNS OUTPLAYED.

The Y.M.C.A., playing at King's Park yesterday, gained a three clear goal victory over the Lincoln's in a fast and interesting game. The "Y" opened their account within the first minute of play through T. J. Price, and while they were two men short, before the interval Brown increased their lead, and in the second half G. C. Burnett scored the third.

Lieut. Hoqueud played a sterling game at left back for the regiment, while McLehlan, Price and Brown were outstanding in the "Y" side. The Lincoln's were unfortunate not to score at least twice in the opening half.

#### TO-DAY'S GAME.

Mamak League.

R. Signals v University—Marina.

Signals:—Brown: Cook and Cord; Hardy, H. Jones and Scott; Bryce, Chaffey, Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson, Convey and W. Jones.

#### FRIDAY.

Mamak League.

R. Signals v R.A.O.C.—Marina, 4.

Signals:—Brown: Neale and Cord; Hardy, H. Jones and Scott; Bryce, Chaffey, Lieut. Whiteway-Wilkinson, Convey and W. Jones.

### FANLING GOLF.

#### Draw for Captain's Cup Competition.

of the Royal Hongkong Golf Club is as follows:

H. Hampton (11) v. C. C. Stark

(7).

G. T. Hole (15) v. H. W. Daukes

(12).

T. Negarry (14) v. H. H. Mundy

(10).

### "THREE-QUARTERS" RUGBY COMMENTS

Appearing in To-morrow's  
"Telegraph"

Owing to unavoidable circumstances, "Three-quarters" rugby notes, which were to have appeared to-day, have been held over.

They will appear in to-morrow's issue of the Telegraph, and will include interesting comments on the Navy v Club match, together with prospects for Saturday's Triangular Tournament encounter between these teams.

### LEAGUE BILLIARDS.

#### Only Two Matches Played Last Week.

#### ST. PATRICK'S ON TOP.

Only two matches were played last week, in the St. Paul's Club winning all their games against the Garrison Sergeants' Mess and the Palace Hotel Club taking two points from the C. & P.O.'s Club.

"All Paddy's" were on form, though and while they were two men short, before the interval Brown increased their lead, and in the second half G. C. Burnett scored the third.

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St. Patrick's go to the top of the table, changing places with the S. W. B. Sergeants' Mess, otherwise the order is unchanged. The R. E. Sergeants' Mess are still keeping the rest supported, and are still pointless. Results:

St. Patrick's 150 C/Sgt. Clarke 116  
M. Silva 150 S.M. Jordan 113  
M. Remedios 150 S/Sgt. Farquhar 110  
M. Baptista 150 Q.M.S. Turner 112  
E. Remedios 150 S/Sgt. Dyer 111  
F. Gill 150 S/Sgt. Robinson 108  
W. Hodges 150 C.P.O. Dacey 100

Palace Club 137 C.P.O. Taylor 100  
J. Remedios 150 C.P.O. Jenkins 108  
M. Baptista 150 C.P.O. P. Last 100  
A. Pereira 150 C.P.O. Barlow 100  
T. Culver 150 C.P.O. P. Greenwell 100  
S. Cruz 150 C.P.O. Dacey 100  
A. Bower 150 C.P.O. Dacey 100

League Table.

P. W. L. F. A. Pts.  
St. Patrick's 4 4 0 13 6 12  
Borderers 3 3 0 15 3 9  
Palace Hotel 4 3 1 11 7 6 1/2  
Police 3 2 1 11 7 6 1/2  
R. A. Sergeants 3 1 2 9 3 3 1/2  
Garrison Mess 4 1 3 6 13 3  
C. & P.O.'s Club 4 0 4 10 14 1  
R.E. Sergeants 3 0 3 4 14 0

(12).

A. Leach (9) v. H. C. Gould (14)

S. T. Butlin (11) v. J. B. Mackie

(10).

H. W. Duley (18) v. A. T. Lay

(9).

T. C. Monaghan (10) v. H. H. Pothick (14).

D. S. Edward (6) v. S. A. Sleep

(10).

(10).

## WORLD'S LEADING TENNIS PLAYERS

### VINES HEADS

#### LIST OF TEN

#### FITTING TRIBUTE

#### HENRI COCHET IN THIRD PLACE



Ellsworth Vines, Wimbledon champion, American Champion, Australian champion, and champion of the world, has been elected to fill the highest position attainable amongst tennis players—the leader of the world's first ten.

The 1932 list which has just been published includes some startling allotments, such as fifth place to Clifford Sutter, the young American, the relegation of H.W. Austin to tenth and the inclusion of Wilmer Allison at No. 4.

The complete list is:

H.E. Vines (U.S.A.).  
Henri Cochet (France).  
Jann Borotra (France).  
W. Allison (U.S.A.).  
Clifford Sutter (U.S.A.).  
D. Frenn (Germany).  
Fred J. Perry (Great Britain).  
Baron von Cramm (Germany).  
Jack Crawford (Australia).  
H. Austin (Great Britain).

None can doubt the supremacy of Vines. He has proved himself to be a genuine world-beater with a service stroke equalling the best that Tilden ever sent down and with driving strokes of flashing power and sustained accuracy.

#### COCHET SECOND.

Cochet is given second place because he was the runner-up in the American championships. For several years this dour Frenchman from Lyons has headed the world's ranking lists. There can be little question that 1932 has marked the beginning of the end of his reign. Cochet has not quite been the dominating force of the courts as hitherto—either in the single handed game or the foursome.

The picturesque Basque, Jean Borotra, must be given third place solely on account of his amazing play in the Challenge Round of the Davis Cup against America. Single handed he was responsible for France retaining the trophy.

#### MACAO RACING.

Lack of Interest Shown  
by Residents.

#### APPEAL TO COLONY.

Regret for the lack of interest shown by residents of Macao in the race meetings held in the Portuguese Colony, was expressed by Mr. G. H. Potts when presiding at the annual meeting of the Macao Jockey Club, which was held at the registered office of the club in Hongkong last week. Addressing the meeting the chairman said:

"The Stewards regret having to come before you with accounts showing a loss \$17,000 odd. This is accounted for largely through the heavy expenses which have been incurred, and the loss of a draft of subscription ponies in Shanghai, which upset our arrangements for at least one meeting. In the earlier part of the period covered by the accounts, we were paying a salary of \$1,000 a month to the Racing Secretary, who severed his connexion with the Club on proceeding home on medical advice, and that salary has been saved. A contributory cause to the loss was an outbreak of meningitis in Macao, which forced us to postpone a meeting there, as it was evident that very few residents of this Colony would go to Macao so long as the outbreak lasted. Through the courtesy of the Stewards of the Kwantung Racecourse, we were offered their course but unfortunately, owing to the inclement weather, we had to abandon the meeting as the course was under water thereby losing between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Land Granted.

The Macao Government has granted us an extra piece of land for the extension of our stables, on which at the present time we have erected temporary stables. I hope however, in the future when we are in funds to be able to erect permanent stables.

"It is gratifying to report that the 26 subscription ponies, of which 15 have already arrived, have been subscribed for, and when the balance of the ponies arrive, it will help us enormously with our programme.

"I think you will agree with me that the racing has been good at all meetings held by us and it is a matter for regret that the residents in Macao do not take the interest in racing that we should have been lead



THE WORLD'S BEST in pictures. Top is Ellsworth Vines, the brilliant young American who has placed himself to the top of the ladder of tennis fame during 1932 by winning the Wimbledon blue ribbon and two national championships.

Left is Henri Cochet, the "wizard" of the courts who holds second place in the world's ranking by virtue of his brilliant play in the Davis Cup.

On right is Jean Borotra, deservedly placed No. 3, if only for his amazing work against America in the Davis Cup final, when he won the match for France off his own racket.

Below, H. W. Austin, now relegated to the last place in the list after a year of many ups and downs, and achievements and disappointments.



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He defeated H. E. Vines in the first singles of the Davis Cup, and then on the third day he beat Allison. That was his dramatic reply to the national S.O.S. sent to him to turn out once more for his country. American efforts to queer the merit of these victories by declaring that they were due to one alleged faulty decision were unworthy of the great occasion. And equally unfair and unsportsmanlike. There was nothing wrong with the disputed line decision, except the dispute which arose from American second thoughts.

ALLISON FOURTH.  
Allison gets fourth place. He was semi-finalist in the American championships, there he running Cochet to the fifth set and he ran Borotra to five sets in the Davis Cup tie.

Sutter proved himself to be a great player in the American championships. He reached the semi-final round beating H. W. Austin on route by 6-2, 6-7, 7-5; and he was the only competitor seriously to challenge Vines. In the semi-final round he led Vines by two sets to none and wanted but two points in the third set for a sensational straight-set victory.

Sixth place must be given to D. Frenn (Germany) for his remarkable Davis Cup victory. He beat Perry and Austin and Shields.

F. J. Perry may perhaps be placed next. He did good work in the Davis Cup, and I sincerely hope that members of the Club will do their utmost to interest Macao residents in racing. If Macao residents would assist us by owning ponies and generally take up racing, it would not only be very encouraging but would enable us to depend less on ponies from Hongkong.

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Messrs. Linstead & Davis were re-elected Auditors for the ensuing year, at a remuneration of \$500.

### TWO BRITISH PLAYERS IN RANKING

AUSTIN AT NO. 10

### CONSISTENCY OF FRED PERRY REWARDED



Cup ties, lost to Frenn in Berlin in the fifth set after leading by five games to one. But he finished up well in America, winning at Los Angeles and San Francisco. He lost a series of matches throughout the season in the fifth set—all of which he ought really to have gained.

Another German, von Cramm, may be placed eighth. He won the German championship and he beat Austin in the Davis Cup tie.

The last two places are difficult to fill. Crawford is a great player on his day. But during his European tour his service delivery was failing him and he proved to be too temperamental.

HARD TO FILL.  
Last place of all is the hardest to fill. Austin reached the Wimbledon final but in doing so defeated none better than J. Satoh in the semi-final round—on an occasion when Satoh made repeated protests about the wet state of the turf.

Solely because the records give him the place of runner-up at Wimbledon he is given the tenth place. But his season was a disastrous one. Two abject failures in the only Davis Cup tie he played in (he was beaten badly by Frenn and von Cramm in Berlin), and he was smashed by Sutter in the American championships.

## SPORT ADVTs.

### MACAO RACES.

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A scene played by instinct, Robert Montgomery asserts, is better than a scene rehearsed a dozen times—and the more rehearsal, the more believes, the more pitiful for the actor. Montgomery has always depended on "first hunches" from the time he made his first picture, "This Is College," and kicked a football between goal posts in a first scene. He wasn't able to do it again, although he tried all day. "If the actor knows his lines," says Montgomery, "he can dash in and do a scene with snap and ginger—but the more he rehearses, the more tired he becomes, until he reaches a point where he makes a line. That's the secret of Clarence Brown's direction. In his direction of 'Letty Lynton' Joan Crawford, Nils Asther and myself all noticed it. He never gets nervous, and that means the cast isn't likely to. He rehearses once for the camera angles as a rule, then shoots his scene, unless it's something very intricate. Everyone is always at ease. Louise Clavier Hale, thirty-five years on the stage in New York, and more or less new to pictures, told me that working in 'Letty Lynton' she was not nervous, for the first time since she has been in pictures. Brown agrees with Montgomery on the dangers of too many rehearsals. 'Letty Lynton' is now showing at the Queen's Theatre.

"Thunder Below."

"Poise is that quality which usually distinguishes the veteran from the stage novice. It is merely a matter of confidence," said Tallulah Bankhead, theatre and film star recently. "Poise is the ability to appear thoroughly at home, unshaken by nervousness and utterly without stage-fright," declared the star of Paramount's "Thunder Below," which will be shown at the King's Theatre this week, with Charles Bickford, Paul Lukas, Eugene Pallette and Ralph Forbes in the featured masculine roles. "Therefore, it is natural that if one is confident of mastering any situation, poise is a result. It is as easy as that," continued the former star of "Furnished Lady" and "My Sin." "However, it is no so easy to achieve, unless an actress is born with no self-consciousness, without fear of others and with an unflinching memory. If poise has to be cultivated, it requires experience in meeting situations, much contact with strangers and careful study in all forms of speech delivery and stage business.

"The First Year."

"The average woman talks too much and thinks too little," declares Minna Gombell, the Fox player. "And," she adds, "I am one of those average women. I know I talk a great deal more than is good for me. For instance, the other day I confessed I had turned down two proposals of marriage. The fact found its way into print and, since then, I have been honoured by two more of my male friends who want to hear wedding bells ring. That is, they want to hear them in my company. 'I'm not ready to marry,' I haven't learned to cook yet, and as for darning socks, I'm a green hand. 'My career is all that interests me now I expect, however, the time will come when I shall marry and settle down and, perhaps, raise a family. I shall not look for a tall, dark and handsome man. Rather I shall pick out some ordinary looking male who can smile and who, in a pinch, is able to cook a dinner. I have always admired men who can cook and—and soldiers.' Miss Gombell is to be seen at the King's Theatre with Janet Gaynor and Charles Farrell in the "First Year." The film was directed by William K. Howard from the screen adaptation of Frank Craven's stage success of the same name.

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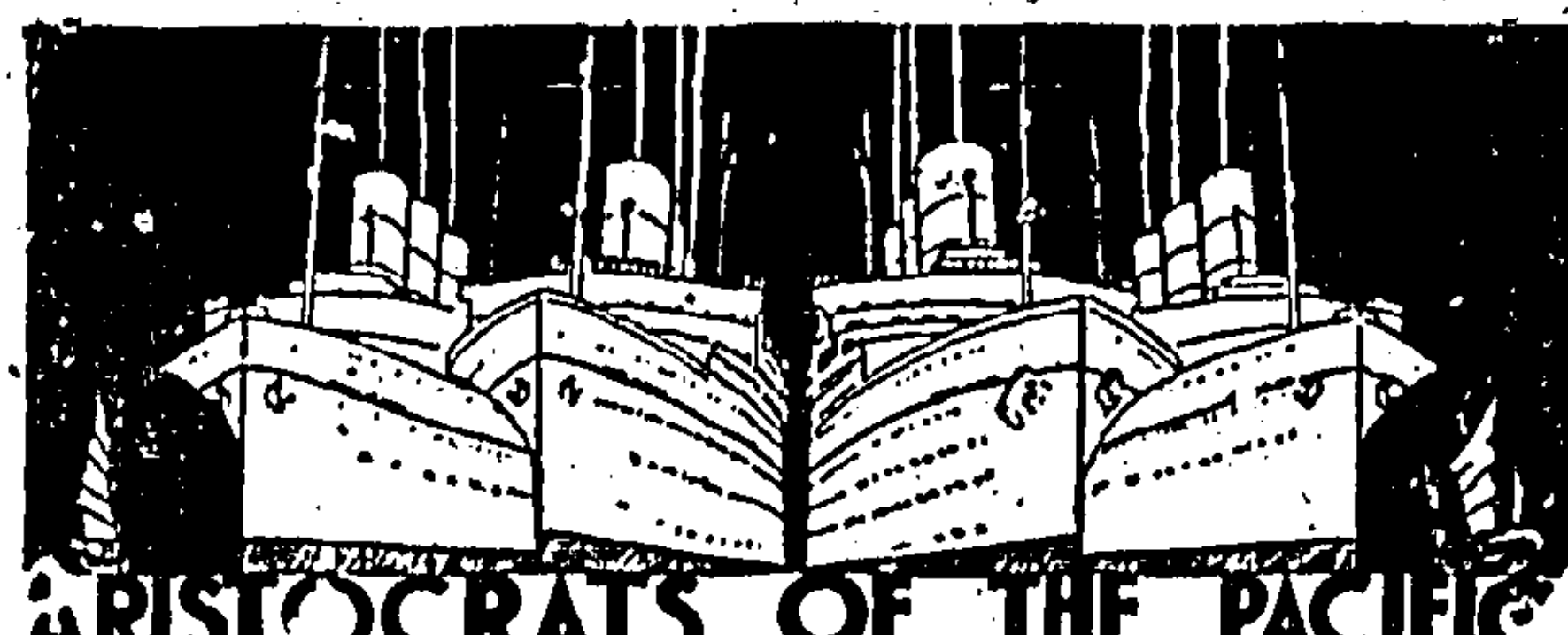
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CONTRACT  
BRIDGE

By W. E. McKenney

(Owing to unforeseen circumstances, the remainder of Mr. McKenney's articles on the new scoring system in contract bridge have not yet come to hand. To-day, we give one of his sample hands from play—Ed.)

The following interesting hand brings out a very instructive point. When you hold a high honour of opponents' trump, this card may appear worthless, but very often it can be used to good advantage to establish a trump in your partner's hand.

|             |          |         |          |
|-------------|----------|---------|----------|
| ♠ A-K-Q-9-3 | ♥ Q-9-4  | ♦ 8-6-4 | ♣ 7-2    |
| ♠ 8-6-4     | ♥ A-J-10 | ♦ 8-6-5 | ♣ 7-2    |
| ♠ J-6       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |
| ♠ A-K       | ♥ A-K    | ♦ 7-3   | ♣ 10-5-3 |

## The Bidding

This hand was played at auction and the bidding was as follows: South passed, West bid one heart. North overcalled with a spade. While East's hand was rather weak, he was justified in bidding two diamonds after his partner had opened the bidding. South supported his partner's suit by bidding two spades. West then bid three hearts which bought the contract.

The contract bidding would be the same except that bold players might risk four hearts with the West hand after the diamond bid by East.

## The Play

North made the natural opening—the king of spades, which held the trick. South playing the five. North continued with the queen of spades. Remember that when you hold ace, king, queen, the king should be led to show the ace. If it holds the trick, don't continue with the ace, but lead the queen so that your partner can better read your hand. South played the 10 and West, the declarer, the six spot. South had played the five and 10 of spades thereby denying holding the eight spot. He now held either the jack or no more spades. As long as declarer could trump in the dummy North continued with a spade allowing dummy to trump immediately.

A small sound was led, however, which dummy trumped with the deuce of hearts and South played the jack of spades, declarer following with the eight of spades. The seven of hearts was led from dummy and declarer finessed the ten spot which North won with the queen. With no more trump in dummy, North was correct in leading his ace of spades to force the declarer. A small diamond was discarded from dummy.

What would you do with the South hand? Would you discard a club or a diamond? If so, the declarer will make four odd. You hold the king of hearts—you know that the declarer will swing his ace of hearts on the next round, picking up your king. He will then lead his jack, and if your partner should happen to have the nine and a small heart, this will pick up your partner's nine spot. When this hand was played,

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RESULTS OF ROSE SALES  
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The gross receipts of the Rose Bazaar are expected to amount to about \$21,500.

Motor-Car Draw.  
The following is the list of winners in the motor-car draw:  
Motor-Car, ticket number 1984 (Mr. A. V. Pearce).

Consolation, 1st Prize, 2819 (Mr. J. Parkinson).  
2nd Prize, 3204 (Mr. H. Wong).  
3rd Prize, 2220 (Mr. W. Naughton).  
4th Prize, 379 (Mr. C. Mutton).  
5th Prize, 3259 (Miss Ellis).  
Delivery from Mr. A. A. Alves, Fire Department, Union Insurance Society of Canton.

Result of American Stall.  
American Kaffie, 1st Drawing:  
Silva; 2nd, doll, R. Ohl; 3rd, Eureka set, H. Wither Lo; 4th, game, Heien Ma; 5th, game, Molly.

2nd Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Leo Lewis; 2nd, doll house, Chas. Matham; 3rd, donkey, E. Fritz; 4th, game, Rev. J. O. Donovan; 5th, game, A. J. Frigga.

3rd Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Reggie Yen; 2nd, doll, J. Fonseca; 3rd, Eureka set, K. Tse; 4th, game, John Pomeroy; 5th, game, A. Tse.

4th Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Rev. P. Chan; 2nd, doll, Mr. Look See; 3rd, Eureka set, Wong (B.A.T.); 4th, game, B. R. France; 5th, game, Do Sousa.

American Stall (Special) 1st Drawing:  
1st prize, punch bowl, C. Whitehead; 2nd, punch on wheel, L. Well; 3rd, doll, Arthur A. Alves; 4th, game, E. Landau; 5th, game, A. H. Marcal.

2nd Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Ines d'Assumpcao; 2nd, doll, J. Cavanagh; 3rd, Eureka set, Arthur A. Alves; 4th, set kitten, H. T. Huxton; 5th, game, J. Lee.

3rd Drawing.—1st prize 1 doll, R. Leon; 2nd, doll in cradle, G. Gilbert; 3rd, Eureka set, Hilda Gaan; 4th, pair babies, E. J. Asmus; 5th, box books, Frank d'Almada e Castro.

4th Drawing.—1st prize, doll, J. M. Silva; 2nd, doll, G. Sanger; 3rd, cat stand, F. D. Tracey; 4th, counter, B. Dutter; 5th, game, A. E. Brunet.

5th Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Miss M. C. Bragg; 2nd, doll, Lam Pak-wai.

South trumped his partner's ace of spades with the king of hearts in an endeavour to establish the nine spot for him. Declarer was forced to over-trump with the ace of hearts. He then led the jack of hearts, North following with the four, dummy discarding a club, and South discarding the five of diamonds. When the next heart was led, North won with the nine spot and led a diamond. The finesse was taken and South won with the king.

By trumping his partner's ace of spades, South created an extra trick for his partner, thereby defeating the declarer's contract on a trick. South had everything to win and nothing to lose by trumping with the king of hearts. If his partner did not hold the nine spot, no harm was done.

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COMMITTEE

Tokyo, Dec. 13.

The Japanese Government has cabled instructions to the Japanese delegation to decline to participate in the Committee of Conciliation proposed to be appointed by the League Assembly to find a settlement of the Manchuria dispute.

This decision is in spite of persuasive efforts, including those by Sir Francis Lindley, the British Ambassador.

It is pointed out, however, that Japan stands as firm as ever for following three basic points:  
(1) Inasmuch as the Manchurian problem is a vital issue for Japan which does not permit any interference from a third party, it is absolutely necessary that the parties to the dispute should be represented and the status of Manchukuo be not discussed by the Committee.

(2) Whereas the League Council should discuss the Manchuria problem, it would be a serious delinquency for the Council to shirk its responsibilities and refer the problem to a conciliation committee; and the invitation of the non-member states, America and Russia, would compromise the League's prestige by exposing its incompetency.

(3) The basic, and absolutely necessary, condition for a settlement of the Manchurian problem is the taking into account of the realities of the situation, including the independence of Manchukuo and its recognition by Japan.

The last mentioned is a point that Japan should stand firm under any circumstances, it is pointed out.—Reuter.

3rd, Eureka set, H. Dixon; 4th, Xmas tree, J. M. Xavier; 5th, game, Mrs. E. L. Yen.

6th Drawing.—1st prize, doll, Mrs. Wood; 2nd, doll, Carl Wood; 3rd, tea set, J. Learquim; 4th, ping pong set, S. Y. Shan; 5th, Eureka set, F. Maloot.

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Raffle prizes are as follows:  
1st prize, 367, Gloria Remedios, a 42 piece China Tea Set; 2nd, 46, C. H. Basso, Canadian rug; 3rd, 272, Hilda Chan, doll; 4th, 197, R. Xavier; 5th, 367, H. L. Yung; 6th, 116, W. F. Meadow; 7th, 117, J. R. Walter; 8th, 367, M. J. Gan; 9th, 357, O. Carvalho; 10th, 100, M. Xavier; 11th, 142, Flo Nunes; 12th, 195, Macilla Tam; 13th, 123, J. F. Xavier; 14th, 112, O. H. Kalahunt; 15th, 193, M. Mahan Singh.

Raffle of Four Dolls.  
1st prize, 26, Amalia d'Assumpcao; 2nd, 21, Dr. B. de Souza; 3rd, 38, P. A. Dixon; 4th, 18, Ines d'Assumpcao.

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## IZVESTIA'S APOLOGY

BRITISH PROTEST TO SOVIET

MATTER NOW CLOSED

London, Dec. 13. The under Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Captain Anthony Eden, to-day informed the House of Commons of the sequel to the recent vigorous protest which Sir John Simon had made to the Soviet Government.

The protest concerned chiefly allegations published in the newspaper *Izvestia* that the British Foreign Office had instructed its agents to forge anti-Soviet documents.

Captain Eden said the Soviet Ambassador had made an oral communication to the Permanent Under Secretary for Foreign Affairs to the effect that while the Soviet Government only took responsibility for official communications in the *Izvestia*, they desired to state that with regard to this particular incident they did not entertain, and had not at any time entertained, the suspicion of the Foreign Secretary and of the Foreign Office which were expressed therein.

### EDITOR'S APOLOGY.

On the contrary, they dissociated themselves from such statements. The Ambassador had repeated this declaration and added that he himself had communicated with the Editor of the *Izvestia*, who had now replied that he had been misled by one of his correspondents, that he recognized the statements in question were inaccurate, and that he wished to express his regret for having published them.

In these circumstances, the British Government regarded the matter as closed.—*British Wireless*.

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STRANGE SCENE

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Washington, Dec. 13. A remarkable scene was witnessed on the floor of House of Representatives to-day when Congress was held up at the point of a revolver by an armed stranger.

The man leaped from the public gallery into the centre of the House and shouting: "I want the floor," produced a revolver, which was afterwards found to be loaded, and waved it about, demanding that the House should listen to what he had to say.

Many of the members ignored the request and did not wait upon the order of their going, rushing to the exits and disappearing. The Public Gallery also emptied with startling rapidity after a temporary scramble at the exits.

### LOADED AND COCKED.

The stranger aimed his weapon at several members of the House menacingly, but the situation was saved by the coolness of the Sergeant-at-Arms, who walked forward calmly and ordered the intruder to throw down his gun, which he did.

The Sergeant caught it loaded and cocked. The stranger was then quickly rushed out of the building by police.—*Reuter*.

The P. & O. s.s. Ranchi, which left Singapore at noon on 10th instant, is due here at 1 p.m. on Thursday.

## SU FO MEMORANDUM

REORGANISATION OF KUOMINTANG

STRONG SUPPORT IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, Dec. 14.

A stronger policy of resistance to Japan is demanded by a powerful group of Shanghai members of the Kuomintang Central Executive Committee, who left for Nanking last night to attend the third plenary session of the C.E.C.

The group is headed by the former President of the Executive Yuan, Mr. Sun Fo, who carries a memorandum which has been drawn up after long conversations between the Shanghai members of the C.E.C.

In the course of the memorandum, it is suggested and recommended that the C.E.C. outline a stronger foreign policy against Japan and undertake a thorough reformation of the Kuomintang.

### PLENARY SESSION.

The memorandum is signed by all the Shanghai members of the C.E.C., the group including General Cheung Wai-Cheung, former Director of the Canton Air Force, Admiral Chen Chieh, former Commander of the First Naval Squadron, Chen Ching-yun, Ma Chao-tsun and Liang Han-tao.

The memorandum will be presented at the plenary session of the C.E.C. which opens to-day at Nanking.—*Reuter*.

As a Hongkong Tramway bus travelling in Wanchai Road, approached Heard Street, yesterday, a Chinese passenger tried to alight, and in doing so suffered a heavy fall and fractured his head. He was removed to hospital, where his condition is regarded as grave.

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